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GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF MELROSE

MAYOR

LAWRENCE W. LLOYD
169 Laurel Street

President of the Board of Aldermen

JOHN A. LAVENDER, JR.
45 East Foster Street

City Clerk

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW
5 Taylor Street

Aldermen-at-Large

Walter W. Bruce, 260 W. Wyoming Avenue

Allen B. Copeland, 69 East Street

Robert S. Love, 15 Sewall Woods Road

(Resigned Aug. 31, 1959)

Paul S. Vaitses, Jr., 97 Larchmont Road

Ward Aldermen

1. Frank B. McLaughlin, 15 Stevens Road

2. J. Henry Otis, 37 Lovell Road

(Resigned May 18, 1959)

3. John F. O'Neil, 271 West Wyoming Avenue

4. Raymond E. Campbell, 75 Sheffield Road

5. Richard H. McIntosh, 86 Derby Road

6. John A. Lavender, Jr., 45 E. Foster Street

7. Philip L. Wadland, 97 Whitman Avenue

**STANDING COMMITTEES
of the
BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

1959

Appropriations

Alderman Paul S. Vaites, Jr., Chairman;
Alderman Philip L. Wadland, Vice Chr.
Aldermen Campbell, Lavender, Love, Otis
McIntosh, O'Neil, and McLaughlin

Finance

Alderman John A. Lavender, Jr., Chairman
Aldermen Campbell, Otis, Bruce, O'Neil

Highways

Alderman Raymond E. Campbell, Chairman
Aldermen Lavender, O'Neil, Otis, Bruce

Legal and Legislative Matters

Alderman J. Henry Otis, Chairman
Aldermen Bruce, Campbell, Lavender
O'Neil

Education, Health and Public Welfare

Alderman Frank B. McLaughlin, Chairman
Aldermen McIntosh, Love, Vaites,
Wadland

Protection and License

Alderman Robert S. Love, Chairman
Aldermen McLaughlin, Wadland, Vaites,
McIntosh

Public Service

Alderman Richard H. McIntosh, Chairman
Aldermen Wadland, Love, McLaughlin,
Vaites

Clerk of Committees

Stanley G. Bunker	275 Upham Street
(Resigned Aug. 31, 1959)	
Robert S. Love	15 Sewall Woods Road

CITY OFFICERS AND OFFICE HOURS

Acting under the authority of Section one hundred and ten A of Chapter forty-one of the General Laws, inserted therein by Chapter two hundred and sixty-five of the Acts of nineteen hundred and forty-seven, the offices hereinafter named shall be open to the public for the transaction of business from 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. daily except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays

The offices of the city clerk, city collector, engineer and superintendent of public works, board of assessors, board of health, board of public welfare, city treasurer, city auditor, building commissioner and veterans' services.

Except during the months of July and August and on legal holidays, the aforesaid offices shall be open on the first and third Mondays of every month from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. and on all other Monday evenings from 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. (Revised Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 2-3.)

CITY OFFICERS BOARD OF APPEAL

W. Jarvis Lowe, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Melvin R. Jenney	Term expires 1962
S. Francis Kimberley	Term expires 1961
Leo Moulaison	Term expires 1961
E. Franklin Reed	Term expires 1965

Edwin H. King, Clerk

ASSESSORS

Henry L. Restall, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Lewis C. Hennigar	Term expires 1961
Norman D. MacDonald	Term expires 1960

Lawrence E. Lovejoy, Executive Secretary
and Director of Assessments

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Commissioner

Francis A. Zins

Plumbing and Gas Inspector

Everett G. Dow

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

William J. McClintock, Chairman
Joseph Casey Arthur D. King
Howard O. Milton, Superintendent

CITY AUDITOR

Arthur M. Goddard

CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT

City Clerk

Raymond H. Greenlaw

Assistant City Clerk

E. Maude Brown
(Retired Oct. 1, 1959)

Paul J. Barter

CITY PHYSICIAN

Vacant

CITY SOLICITOR

A. Van Allen Thomason

CITY, TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

S. Homer Buttrick
(Retired Aug. 31, 1959)
Stanley G. Bunker

CIVIL DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

Robert R. Wilson, Director

CONSTABLES

Robert A. Lloyd
Guy A. Storer

George D. MacWilliams

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

Arthur M. Goddard, Chairman	Statutory
Robert L. Hutchinson	Term expires 1961
Walter Jones	Term expires 1962

DOG OFFICE

Dr. Sely A. Kay

ENGINEER AND SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Glen S. Weeks

FENCE VIEWERS

Clyde O. Bailey

Robert R. Wilson

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Sidney C. Field

Deputy Chief

Office Vacant

Fire Warden

Sidney C. Field

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health

Dr. Oakley R. Jones Chairman

(Resigned) (Sept. 30, 1959)

Dr. John G. Goulding, Chairman

Term expires 1960

Lawrence E. Simpson

Term expires 1961

Paul E. Troy

Term expires 1959

Helen F. Adams, Agent

Sanitary Inspector

John J. Devine

Schools Physicians

Dr. John S. Graf

Dr. Thomas M. Hearne

Dr. George R. Murphy

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTERING

Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.S.

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Stanley A. Riggs

MAYOR'S SECRETARY

Blanche E. Nickerson

TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL BUILDING

Dr. Harold L. Margeson, Chairman

Term expires 1962

Joseph T. Cefalo

Term expires 1961

Leslie B. Ellis

Term expires 1960

Arvid F. Moberger

Term expires 1960

Errol H. Twitchell

Term expires 1961

Blanche E. Nickerson, Secretary

PARK COMMISSION

Harold W. Poole, Chairman	Term expires 1961
John T. Brady	Term expires 1960
John H. Kelly	Term expires 1963
Edgar A. Perry	Term expires 1962
Kenneth G. Swindell	Term expires 1964

Francis J. Meehan, Superintendent
Elburt P. Fletcher, Recreation Director

PERSONNEL BOARD

Nicholas P. Flynn, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Horace H. Feltham, Clerk	Term expires 1960
Kenneth I. Faulkner	Term expires 1961
Robert F. Goodspeed	Term expires 1962
Albert A. Vogt, Jr.	Term expires 1960
E. Gertrude Gilbert, Secretary	

TRUSTEES OF PINE BANKS PARK

Parker Converse, President
Eaton H. Perkins, Vice-President
Charles F. Kezer, Secretary
Dana F. Batting, Chairman and Treasurer
Allen Stevens
Walter J. Kelliher (Mayor of Malden)
Lawrence W. Lloyd (Mayor of Melrose)
George W. Cray, Superintendent

PLANNING BOARD

Paul H. Messer, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Kenneth L. Maclachlan, Vice Chairman (Resigned)	
Carole J. Geiger, Clerk (Resigned Mar. 2, 1959)	
Robert S. Clark, Clerk	Term expires 1964
Harry M. Brettell	Term expires 1962
John E. Buddington	Term expires 1961
Claude L. Hanley	Term expires 1961
Merion E. Hartzell	Term expires 1963
John H. Lane	Term expires 1960
Walter V. Robinson	Holdover
Daniel F. Tully	Term expires 1963

PROPERTY VALUATION BOARD

S. Homer Buttrick, Chairman
(Retired Aug. 31, 1959)
Stanley G. Bunker, Chairman
Francis A. Zins, Clerk
Norman D. MacDonald

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Ernest F. Perkins, Jr. Chairman	Term expires 1960
William L. Carney	Term expires 1961
Elizabeth C. Hayes	Term expires 1962
Edwin W. Lundquist	Term expires 1962
Elisabeth M. Perkins	Term expires 1961
Howard B. Wilder	Term expires 1960
Helen Anderson, Librarian	

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

William J. Neely, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Woodbury L. Cogswell	Term expires 1962
Gertrude M. Curtin	Term expires 1961
Charles F. Kezer	Term expires 1961
Carol F. Offenbach	Term expires 1960
Mary J. Melville, Agent	

MELROSE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Jay J. Martin, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1963
Ray C. Young, Clerk	Term expires 1964
Herbert R. Corey	Term expires 1962
Joseph E. Kehoe	Term expires 1960
Christopher J. McCarthy	Term expires 1961

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

BOARD MEMBERS

Paul H. Provandie, II, Chairman	Term expires 1960
John F. Flynn	Term expires 1961
Edward J. Murphy	Term expires 1962
Raymond H. Greenlaw, Clerk	Ex-officio

ASSISTANT REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Elizabeth N. Bailot	Mary A. McHatton
Margaret F. Brennan	Mary M. McSweeney
Dorothy C. Burnham	Grace F. Mitchell
Marjorie M. Cushman	William A. Noonan
Vivian R. Denning	Eric G. Noseworthy
Helena E. Dolaher	Frances M. O'Connell
George W. Jepson, Jr.	Shirley H. Rogers
Doris M. Macy	Marjorie S. Washburn

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
School Committee Members

Ralph W. Daffinee, Chairman (Died June 21, 1959)	Term expires 1960
Howard R. True, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Wilbur H. Burnham, Jr.	Term expires 1960
Ann D. Carter	Term expires 1962
Lloyd E. Conn	Term expires 1960
B. Natalie Urban	Term expires 1962
Randall E. Webber	Term expires 1962
Ronald H. Winde, Jr.	Term expires 1960
Leighton H. York	Term expires 1960

Superintendent of Schools

Harold T. Rand

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Oscar D. Knight

VETERANS' SERVICES

Veteran's Agent

H. Leslie Trickey

Inspector of Veterans Graves

Henry F. Weiler

Advisory Board for Veterans' Services

Frank C. Gardner

Richard H. McIntosh

Howard W. Poole

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT

Charles A. Woodman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEAL

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Appeal submits, herewith, its annual report for the year 1959.

The annual organization meeting of the Board was held on January 14, 1959, at which time W. Jarvis Lowe was re-elected chairman of the Board for his third term, and Edwin H. King was re-elected secretary for the ensuing year. Other members of the board are Frank S. Kimberley, architect; Melvin S. Jenney, attorney; Leo Moulaison, builder; and E. Franklin Reed, Boston & Maine Railroad Vice President, director of Industrial Development.

The Board heard twenty-nine cases during the year. Of this number, 19 were granted, falling into the following categories:

(a) Lot restriction variances	9
(b) Extension of non-conforming use	2
(c) Fire district violation	2
(d) Single dwelling conversion	3
(e) Roof line sign violation	1
(f) Special use violation	<u>2</u>
	<u>19</u>

The members of the Board feel that a general review of the Zoning Ordinances, along with a study of the powers and duties of the Board of Appeal, should be undertaken in the very near future. No action of this nature has been taken since 1923 when the Board was first established. In view of the changing conditions, both locally and nation wide, it would seem that some thought should be given to this suggestion.

A summary of the cases heard and decisions rendered follows:

Appeals granted	19
Appeals denied	7
Appeal withdrawn	1
No decisions	<u>2</u>
Total	<u>29</u>

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF APPEAL

By

Edwin H. King
Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
The Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report of the Assessing Department for the year ending December 31, 1959:

Taxable Valuation of the City:

Real Estate	\$ 48,035,400.00
Personal Property	<u>3,675,750.00</u>
Total	\$ 51,711,150.00

Tax Rate \$66.30 per \$1,000.00

BUDGET

City Appropriations

To be included in the tax levy	\$ 4,387,700.55	
From Available Funds	<u>434,424.92</u>	
Total Appropriations		\$ 4,822,125.47

State Assessments - 1959 Estimates

State Audit of Municipal Accounts	\$ 4,548.23	
State Examination of Retirement System	203.91	
Smoke Inspection Service	638.74	
Metropolitan Parks	46,968.68	
Metropolitan Sewerage	118,269.79	
Metropolitan Water	<u>52,199.52</u>	
Total 1959 Estimates - State		\$ 222,828.87

County Assessments - 1959 Estimates

County Tax	\$ 159,908.82	
Tuberculosis Hospital (actual)	<u>38,962.00</u>	
Total 1959 Estimates - County		\$ 198,870.82

County Assessment - 1958 Underestimate

County Tax	\$ 316.67
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School Bond Interest

Court Judgments \$ 16,900.00

Contributory Retirement 60,201.87

Overlay - 1959 \$ 54,105.94

Overlay Deficit (1956) \$ 78,089.90

TOTAL - ALL APPROPRIATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS \$ 262.00

\$ 5,453,701.54

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

RECAPITULATION OF 1959 TAX RATE

LESS DEDUCTIONS

Estimated Receipts - City - 1959

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	\$ 441,025.74	
Licenses	6,741.75	
Fines	1,396.75	
Special Assessments	48,217.09	
General Government	13,434.74	
Protection of Persons and Property	4,626.61	
Health and Sanitation	11,736.47	
Highways	2,926.64	
Charities	33,696.85	
Old Age Assistance	214,049.14	
Veterans' Services	13,778.65	
Schools	25,510.33	
Libraries	7.00	
Recreation	3,979.58	
Public Service Enterprises	219,570.86	
Cemeteries	12,418.38	
Interest	17,059.44	
State Assistance for School Construction	51,453.72	
Farm Animal Excise	9.69	
Total 1959 Estimated City Receipts		\$ 1,121,639.43

Estimated State Receipts - 1959

Income Tax	\$ 283,521.75	
Corporation Taxes	144,466.15	
Old Age Tax (Meals)	10,876.68	
Total 1959 Estimated State Receipts		\$ 438,864.58

Estimated Receipts - 1958 State Overestimates

Metropolitan Parks	\$ 5,324.68	
Metropolitan Sewerage	7,123.77	
Smoke Inspection Service	24.91	
Total 1958 State Overestimates		\$ 12,473.36

Available Funds \$ 434,424.92

TOTAL ALL DEDUCTIONS \$ 2,007,402.29

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION \$ 3,446,299.25

HOW RAISED

BY POLLS 8925 @ \$2.00 \$ 17,850.00
 PERSONAL TAX \$ 3,675,750. @ \$66.30 per \$ 242,022.23
 REAL ESTATE \$48,035,400. @ \$66.30 per M 3,184,747.02

TOTAL RAISED \$ 3,446,299.25

ADDENDUM

Year	Census	Dwell-ings	Falls	Value Buildings	Value Land	Total Val. Real Estate	Value Personal Estate	Total Valuation	Rate per \$1.000	City Appro- priation	Sewer- age Tax	Other State Levies	State Tax	County Tax	Overlay	Total Tax Levy	Year
1939	24,670	5,790	7,977	27,584,800	8,189,000	35,773,800	2,726,250	38,500,050	33.80	1,491,463.07 †102,231.21	27,001.39	142,027.68	104,040.00	49,678.46 18,408.73	17,925.87	1,952,776.41 *635,520.72	1939
1940	25,232	5,850	8,191	27,749,950	8,047,250	35,797,200	2,727,800	38,525,000	33.60	1,512,704.20 157,768.70	28,982.80	81,387.41	92,480.00	49,678.46 18,998.84	29,317.13	1,871,317.62 *560,495.62	1940
1941	25,511	5,926	8,281	27,859,050	7,939,600	35,798,650	2,723,450	38,522,100	31.60	1,475,192.60 158,077.51	33,226.90	72,049.39	100,485.00	57,506.55 17,281.83	29,226.58	1,845,071.19 *611,210.83	1941
1942	25,896	5,875	8,486	28,453,600	7,971,250	36,424,850	2,676,750	39,101,600	30.60	1,445,152.91 †104,482.00	30,823.77	71,335.63	91,350.00	48,063.67 17,498.85	27,207.70	1,836,495.24 *623,014.28	1942
1943	26,649	5,887	8,838	28,698,600	7,931,900	36,630,500	2,729,200	39,359,700	28.40	1,385,174.55 179,284.55	31,938.34	64,856.13	30,450.00	43,324.31 10,571.89	17,553.72	1,663,153.49 *527,662.01	1943
1944	27,412	5,885	9,195	28,624,500	8,035,950	36,660,450	2,715,900	39,376,350	29.60	1,402,782.15 †199,898.08	29,159.69	80,378.72	78,351.00	51,223.86 12,302.59	18,051.80	1,870,147.89 *686,339.93	1944
1945	27,971	5,881	9,329	28,671,500	7,909,800	36,581,300	2,806,050	39,387,350	29.60	1,499,942.80 †191,089.38	29,762.25	71,522.56	42,908.00	53,313.34 12,375.71	16,286.28	1,867,450.25 *682,926.69	1945
1946	27,938	5,880	9,324	28,702,200	7,908,350	36,610,550	2,913,000	39,423,550	31.60	1,560,615.98 †182,790.95	34,052.28	39,113.24	31,600.00	62,376.97 10,001.77	17,480.45	1,938,344.04 *673,981.86	1946
1947	27,761	5,901	9,089	28,973,700	7,916,800	36,890,500	3,093,950	39,984,450	36.00	1,863,980.44 †257,748.14	43,122.85	43,305.96	31,600.00	76,511.38 14,344.76	15,772.18	2,346,479.71 *888,909.51	1947
1948	27,754	5,977	9,015	29,736,800	7,961,800	37,698,600	3,365,750	41,064,350	42.00	2,336,368.14 1553,127.10	47,646.33	42,435.28	0.00	68,879.51 14,344.76	18,248.39	2,982,202.62 *1,239,469.92	1948
1949	27,928	6,076	9,015	30,599,200	8,041,750	38,640,950	3,630,800	42,271,750	42.00	2,275,091.66 1505,779.95	50,536.79	53,625.77	0.00	86,952.17 19,326.54	25,000.40	3,016,947.08 *1,223,503.58	1949
1950	27,973	6,156	8,981	31,168,500	8,079,400	39,247,900	3,360,600	42,608,500	42.00	2,453,410.37 †425,385.17	61,384.35	65,614.32	0.00	114,034.08 21,887.19	25,000.00	3,167,245.15 *1,359,726.15	1950
1951	28,226	6,279	9,019	31,996,700	8,149,350	40,146,050	3,554,250	43,700,300	46.00	2,796,487.39 †200,763.66	60,072.82	54,889.62	0.00	98,478.29 28,422.61	27,000.00	3,266,122.79 *1,237,870.99	1951
1952	28,313	6,409	9,021	33,242,450	8,234,300	41,476,500	3,219,150	44,695,900	53.80	3,079,186.82 †277,726.82	54,215.99	80,488.60	0.00	123,755.80 33,788.56	35,450.43	3,686,674.40 *1,263,992.98	1952
1953	28,335	6,506	8,981	34,482,100	8,335,050	42,817,150	3,243,400	46,050,550	52.80	3,128,765.89 †462,019.15	59,101.92	67,226.70	0.00	108,738.00 39,235.21	42,223.07	3,911,868.97 *1,461,909.93	1953
1954	28,538	6,556	8,942	35,242,950	8,345,150	43,588,100	3,342,400	46,920,500	54.40	3,384,078.17 †228,380.89	51,220.61	98,078.80	0.00	109,487.12 34,862.71	41,385.08	3,948,036.76 *1,377,677.56	1954
1955	29,239	6,720	9,031	36,344,450	8,398,200	44,742,650	3,358,200	48,100,850	55.40	3,489,274.98 †280,787.04 H 85,661.95	55,468.84	94,415.14	0.00	108,479.00 37,504.32	52,012.81	4,204,036.87 *1,521,187.78	1955
1956	29,304	6,830	8,970	37,211,850	8,431,750	45,642,800	3,392,650	49,035,450	58.00	3,702,814.17 †1,097,855.28 H 10,715.90	65,638.60	106,843.07	0.00	132,666.91 30,757.95	56,804.91	5,213,243.95 *2,351,247.85	1956
1957	29,713	6,910	9,005	38,144,600	8,163,200	46,757,800	3,584,400	50,342,200	59.80	3,933,387.92 †474,735.70	75,344.24	108,453.50	0.00	137,917.14 32,206.14	64,641.21	4,826,831.65 *1,798,356.09	1957
1958	29,933	6,973	8,976	38,825,900	8,659,700	47,485,600	3,608,700	51,094,300	63.60	4,593,888.95 †105,919.85	105,919.85	105,753.93	0.00	166,073.93 28,849.77	71,190.17	5,073,143.83 *1,805,594.35	1958
1959	30,238	6,990	8,925	39,332,800	8,702,600	48,035,400	3,675,750	51,711,150	66.30	4,518,908.36 †434,424.92	118,269.79	104,559.08	0.00	160,225.49 38,962.00	78,089.90	5,453,701.54 *2,007,402.29	1959

† from Available Funds

* Receipts

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Number of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations assessed	7,158
Number of Persons assessed for Poll Tax	8,925
Number of Motor Vehicle Excises levied	12,854
Number of Horses assessed upon	10
Number of Dwellings assessed upon	6,900

VALUATION OF EXEMPTED PROPERTY

	<u>PERSONAL</u>	<u>REAL ESTATE</u>
City Property Publicly Used	\$ 410,200.00	\$ 5,990,450.00
City Property Not So Used		65,825.00
Benevolent Institutions	265,000.00	1,046,700.00
Cemeteries	500.00	23,400.00
Charitable Institutions	5,500.00	69,900.00
Houses of Religious Worship	39,500.00	1,647,400.00
Literary Institutions	12,500.00	202,600.00
Organizations of War Veterans	3,000.00	19,100.00
Parsonages		99,400.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		234,400.00
	<u>\$ 736,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,399,175.00</u>

The following additional assessments were committed:

Motor Vehicle Excise	(12,854)	\$ 451,950.49
Farm Animal Excise	(1)	10.20
Apportioned Sewer Assessments	\$ 12,812.91	
" Sidewalk "	2,874.95	
" Street "	16,469.03	
" Water Liens	12,616.31	
Committed Interest	<u>13,262.37</u>	\$ 58,035.57
Unapportioned Sewer Assessments	\$ 5,128.64	
" Sidewalk "	463.00	
" Street "	<u>50,817.87</u>	\$ 56,409.51
Additional Polls	(11)	\$ 22.00
Recovered from Estates of Deceased Persons (2)		\$ 1,696.77

During the year 30,238 Items were committed to the Collector.

Respectfully Submitted:

Norman D. MacDonald
Levin C. Hennigar
Henry D. Restock

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF HEALTH

of the
CITY OF MELROSE

for the
Year Ending December 31st.
1959

Organization of Board
Dr. John G. Goulding, Chairman
Paul E. Troy, Atty., Lawrence E. Simpson, Members
Helen F. Adams, Agent

School Physicians
Thomas M. Hearne, M.D. George R. Murphy, M.D.
John S. Graf, M.D.

Public Health Nurses
Patricia A. Ryder, P.H.N. Supervisor
Jane H. Lord, P.H.N., Katherine Hatheway, P.H.N.

Dentist
Ezra J. Kennison, D.M.D.

Dental Hygienist
Mabel D. Burbine

Inspectors
Sanitary John J. Devine
Animals Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.S.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

We submit herewith a review of the health conditions of the city and a statement of the acts of the Board of Health for the year ending December 31, 1959:

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL -

During the year, Dr. Oakley R. Jones, after serving as Chairman of the Board for 7 years, tendered his resignation to devote full time to his private practise.

On November 1, 1959, Dr. John G. Goulding was appointed to the Board of Health by His Honor, the Mayor.

Miss Johanna Versteeg tendered her resignation as Supervising Public Health Nurse effective as of December 1, 1959. She served most commendably in this capacity for a period of 15 years. She was replaced by Miss Patricia A. Ryder.

Mrs. Mabel D. Burbine was appointed as dental hygienist for the Board of Health to replace Miss Margaret Reed who resigned at the close of the school year in 1959. Miss Martha Dunham and Mrs. Roberta Ling also resigned during the year.

Mr. Paul E. Troy was reappointed to the Board of Health for another three year term.

DENTAL CLINIC -

The Melrose Dental Clinic, offering fluoride prophylaxis to all school children in Melrose and restorative dentistry to those children showing financial need, was in full operation during the school year. A detailed account of the work performed by this clinic is presented in the report of the Supervisor of Nursing. Such restorative dentistry performed in our local clinic was supplementary to that provided for needy children at the Forsyth Dental Clinic.

SCHOOL HEALTH -

The school health program covered physical examinations and nursing in the ten public and two parochial schools with an approximate census of 5,337 pupils. The school physicians examined 954 children in the first, fourth, sixth and eighth grades. These examinations are given to determine the child's physical status, health needs and to provide a means of health education. Upon completion of the physical examinations, teacher-nurse conferences are held for the benefit of the teacher, nurse and child.

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COMMUNICABLE DISEASES -

Poliomyelitis - Although the incidence of poliomyelitis throughout the nation was higher this year than in 1958, Melrose had only 1 case of non-paralytic poliomyelitis.

Diphtheria - Not a single case of diphtheria was reported during the year. Approximately 100% of the children were immunized against this disease before entering the first grade.

Scarlet Fever - We had 62 cases of scarlet fever reported this year as compared to 13 in 1958.

Whooping Cough - The number of cases declined to the lowest figure in the past seven years.

Salmonellosis - Twelve cases of salmonellosis were discovered and followed. All contacts were carefully checked. In all cases the source of infection was either outside the city or by direct contact.

Rabies Control - The rabies control clinic was held on May 23, 1959 at a charge of 50¢ per dog. 354 dogs were immunized which is a slight increase over last year. The net cost to the city, per dog, for the immunization was 32¢.

Tuberculosis - Five new cases were reported during the year. The diagnosis in one man was later revoked. The average age of the new cases was 69 years, the oldest being 83 years and the youngest 45 years. There were two deaths, one at 80 years and the other at 66 years of age.

SANITATION -

Sanitary Inspections of restaurants, drug stores and stores selling food and soft drinks consumed on the premises were made, and in general the establishments were found to meet the standard requirements.

Nuisances - 93 nuisance complaints were received by this department and were investigated by the Sanitary Inspector.

Bakeries - Our bakeries received the required semi-annual inspections and objectionable practices were called to the owner's attention. In a few instances re-inspections were necessary where definite corrective measures had to be instituted. A total of twenty-two inspections were made.

Milk - All milk sold in the city is pasteurized thus protecting the community from such milk borne diseases as tuberculosis and undulant fever. All milk supplies continue to be of high grade.

Sewers - We have continued our program to abolish cesspools whenever possible and to encourage sewer connections in order to materially add to the sanitary conditions of the city.

Sub-divisions - All proposed sub-divisions were inspected, for satisfactory drinking water and sewage and surface drainage as prescribed by General Laws.

BOARD OF HEALTH

RECOMMENDATIONS -

Larger office space for public health personnel, laboratory facilities for the sanitary inspector and proper space for the immunization and well baby clinics are still most urgently needed.

The Melrose Board of Health expresses its sincere thanks and appreciation to the Mayor, Board of Aldermen and the various departments for their courtesy and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

John G. Goulding.....Board of
Paul E. Tracy.....Health of
Lawrence E. Simpson.....Melrose

BOARD OF HEALTH

TABLE I
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Totals 1959	Totals 1958
Total Appropriation.....	\$50,553.14	\$49,760.64
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>		
Salaries and Wages.....	\$30,045.68	\$28,720.61
Other Expenses.....	\$ 1,841.00	\$ 1,766.02
Telephone.....	\$ 213.08	\$ 230.21
Car Allowance-Public Health Work @ 8¢ per mile.....	1,311.34	\$1,331.44
Advertising.....	10.12	6.00
Printing.....	137.12	64.22
Postage & Express.....	33.42	38.36
Office Supplies.....	135.92	95.79
Tuberculosis.....	\$ 1,853.32	\$ 3,096.87
Outside Aid.....	\$ 88.57	\$ 364.37
Board & Supplies in Hospital.....	1,764.75	2,732.50
Quarantine & Contagious Disease.....	\$ 110.00	\$ 536.59
Immunization of Dogs.....	\$ 277.00	\$ 301.83
Transportation-Dental Clinic.....	\$ 681.50	\$ 677.00
Dental Clinic.....	\$ 7,306.31	\$ 9,236.49
Salaries and Wages.....	\$6,648.68	\$8,275.78
Administrative Expense.....	657.63	960.71
Care of Premature Babies.....	\$ 408.00	\$ 818.63
Laboratory & Educational Expense.....	\$ 151.46	\$ 192.47
Membership Dues.....	\$ 56.00	\$ 36.00
Meetings.....	80.38	144.47
Laboratory Supplies.....	15.08	12.00
Out of State Travel.....	\$ 52.85	\$ 54.00
Mosquito Suppression.....	\$ 1,946.16	\$ 1,370.16
Polio Clinic.....	\$ 111.25	\$ 382.24
Total Expenditures.....	\$44,784.53	\$47,152.91
Revenues of Board of Health*.....	\$ 1,847.17	\$ 1,622.32
Licenses.....	\$ 208.00	\$ 207.00
Reimbursements.....	1,462.17	1,252.32
Dog Clinic.....	177.00	163.00

*Not available for use

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TABLE II

DEATHS IN MELROSE, CLASSIFIED AS TO CAUSE
(INCLUDING MELROSE-WAKEFIELD HOSPITAL)

	MALES	FEMALES
I Infectious and Parasitic Diseases.....	1	0
II Cancer & Other Tumors.....	22	40
III Diseases of Nutrition, Rheumatism, etc.....	2	1
IV Diseases of the Blood & Blood Forming Organs.....	0	0
V Chronic Poisoning & Intoxication.....	0	0
VI Diseases of the Nervous System and Sense Organs.....	27	32
VII Diseases of the Circulatory System.....	66	79
VIII Diseases of the Respiratory System.....	12	6
IX Diseases of the Digestive System.....	5	4
X Diseases of the Genito-urinary System.....	3	1
XI Diseases of Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium....	0	0
XIII Diseases of the Bones and Organs of Movement.....	1	3
XIV Congenital Malformations.....	1	3
XV Diseases Peculiar to the First Year of Life.....	13	4
XVII Violent or Accidental Deaths.....	7	1
XVIII Ill-defined & Unknown Causes.....	0	3

There were 21 stillbirths in 1959 in Melrose

Deaths of all persons in Melrose..... Males160
(exclusive of 21 stillbirths) Females.....174

There were 7 stillbirths to Melrose residents in 1959

Deaths of all Melrose residents..... Males.....150
(exclusive of 7 stillbirths)..... Females.....167

Of these deaths, children under one year..... 8
Persons over 70 years of age.....205

TABLE III

INFANT MORTALITY TO ALL MELROSE PARENTS

Year	Live Births	Deaths of Infants under one year	Infant mortality per 1000 Live Births
1959		8	13.8
	Children born in Melrose to Melrose parents.....	326	
	Children born elsewhere to Melrose parents.....	252	
	Children born in Melrose to non-residents.....	973	
	Total.....	1551	

POPULATION JANUARY 1, 1959 - 30,238

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TABLE IV
CASES & DEATHS OF CERTAIN DISEASES FOR THE TEN YEARS

	Typhoid		Scarlet		Typhoid		Measles		Whooping		Pul. & Tuberculosis		Meningeal		Other	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
	Folio-mye litis		Diph-theria		Fever		Fever		Cough		Miliary				Forms	
1950	3	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	45	0	47	0	4	0	0	0
1951	2	0	1	0	12	0	1	0	66	0	2	0	12	3	0	0
1952	5	1	1	0	15	0	0	0	608	0	9	0	5	3	0	1
1953	6	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	8	0	7	0	4	4	0	1
1954	4	0	2	0	17	0	0	0	177	0	33	0	3	2	0	1
1955	23	1	0	0	21	0	0	0	983	0	8	0	10	2	0	1
1956	1	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	5	1	0	0
1957	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	16	0	10	0	6	0	0	0
1958	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	875	0	14	0	8	0	0	0
1959	1	0	0	0	62	0	0	0	16	0	6	0	4	2	0	0

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REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF NURSING

Board of Health,
Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

As Supervising Public Health Nurse, I herewith submit the following report for the year 1959:

SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM -

Visits to Schools.....	892
Visits to Dental Clinics.....	107
Hearing Tests.....	897
Vision Re-tests.....	108
Classroom Visits.....	6,261
Pupils Interviewed.....	10,931
Teachers Interviewed.....	4,820
Teacher-Nurse Conferences.....	289
Talks in Classrooms.....	8
Physical Examinations by School Physicians....	946
Physical Examinations by Private Physicians....	805
Special Examinations.....	8
School Home Visits for Correction of Defects...	459
Referrals to the Lions Club for re-checks on Vision Losses and the furnishing of glasses...	7

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS -

Monthly clinics were held for infants and pre-school children:

23 received the triple antigen against diphtheria-whooping cough and tetanus.
22 received booster doses.

37 received 2 doses of polio vaccine.
42 received booster doses.

This clinic is available to those families financially unable to see the private physician. We are guided by the State's schedule for "determination of need".

TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM -

A total of 73 tuberculosis cases were registered to whom 304 visits were made by the nurses. 121 visits were made to contacts and suspects. 208 visits were made to give hypodermic injections to inactive tuberculosis patients at home.

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HANDICAPPED CHILDREN -

The annual census showed seventy-four children on the register. Handicaps were: congenital defects, harelips, cleft palates, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, etc. A visiting teacher through the school department, teaches the children who are unable to attend school. Lip reading classes are provided for the hard of hearing. The Board of Health supervises, to ascertain that all resources for rehabilitation are made available to the parents either through the private physician or clinics. 74 visits were made to these children by the nurses.

DENTAL PROGRAM -

The dentist reported:

- 204 pupils treated
- 147 pupils examined
- 92 pupils completed
- 79 extractions
- 1,101 fillings
- 4 prophylaxis
- 5 root canals filled
- 2 Impressions (in his own private office)
- 4 X-rays (in his own private office)

The dental hygienists treated pupils of the 2-4-6-8 grades. They rendered prophylaxis and four applications of sodium fluoride. The pupils were instructed in Dental Health.

1,733 pupils were treated (95%) and received 6,780 treatments. 95 pupils had sodium fluoride treatments by private dentists and 41 pupils were "not interested". 107 visits were made to the school clinics by the Supervisor.

MISCELLANEOUS -

75 interviews were held with Social and Health Agencies. 10 meetings were attended and 8 talks were given on Public Health Nursing.

We are grateful for the cooperation and assistance received from the following:

- The Salvation Army
- The Red Cross Ames Fund
- The Melrose-Wakefield Hospital
- The Lions Club
- The School Department
- Saint Mary's Parochial School

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Ryder

Patricia A. Ryder, P.H.N.
Supervising Public Health Nurse.

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REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health,
Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Sanitary Inspector herewith submits his annual report
from January 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959:

INSPECTION OF MILK

INSPECTION:

Pasteurizing Plants.....	0
Ice Cream Plants.....	14

SAMPLES COLLECTED:

Market Milk.....	134
Grade "A" Milk.....	28
Homogenized Milk.....	189
Special Milk.....	19
Cream.....	69
Ice Cream.....	31

LABORATORY REPORT:

Chemical analysis of milk and cream.....	475
(found below standard, 4)	
Bacteriological examination of milk and cream.....	959
(found below standard, 26)	
Coliform count, milk and ice cream.....	473
(found below standard, 41)	
Chemical analysis of ice cream.....	28
Bacteriological examination of milk and ice cream.....	60
(found below standard, 4)	
Phosphatase test.....	504
(Positive test, 1)	
Total Solids.....	138
(found below standard, 7)	
Water Samples.....	8
(found contaminated-Drinking Well, 1)	

DAILY RETAIL SALES MILK PRODUCTS (Dealers' Declaration)

Pasteurized Milk.....	17,481 qts.
Certified Milk.....	15 qts.
Cream.....	695 qts.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Milk and Oleomargarine, stores and dealers..	201
Pasteurization Plants.....	1
Ice Cream Manufacturing Permits.....	2
Ice Cream Sales Permits.....	82

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GEOMETRICAL AVERAGE FOR THE YEAR 1959

MARKET AND HOMOGENIZED MILK

<u>Dealer</u>	<u>Milk Fat</u>	<u>Plate Count</u>
State Standard.....	3.35	10,000
Market:		
Bedford Farms.....	4.05	1,500
Brookside (First National Stores).....	3.83	760
Buttrick, David.....	4.17	780
Cummings, B. L. Inc.....	4.01	4,000
Fallon, W. J. & Son.....	3.77	2,000
Hoods, H.P. & Son.....	3.79	1,500
Happy Valley Dairy.....	4.02	16,000
Kiley Farm.....	3.77	840
Musgrave Farms.....	3.75	1,000
Sealtest.....	3.68	1,500
Simmons, Charles.....	3.95	1,000
Seven Oaks Dairy.....	4.04	3,000
Spear, Clinton W.....	3.81	2,000
Sunnyhurst Dairy, Inc.....	3.90	890
Weiss Farm.....	3.70	5,000
Whiting Milk Company.....	3.81	1,000
Ware Dairy.....	3.80	2,000
United Farmers of New England.....	3.90	830
Quinn Farm Dairy.....	3.78	800
Homogenized:		
Bedford Farms.....	4.01	1,500
Brox's Dairy (A.&P. Stores).....	3.85	1,000
Brookside (First National Stores).....	3.97	1,500
Buttrick, David.....	4.30	840
Cummings, B. L. Inc.....	4.04	4,000
Fallon, W. J. & Sons.....	3.80	1,500
Hanley & Son.....	4.10	710
Happy Valley Dairy.....	3.69	2,000
Hoods, H. P. & Son.....	3.80	3,000
Kiley Farm.....	3.70	4,500
Musgrave Farm.....	3.87	6,000
Sealtest.....	3.70	1,500
Simmons, Charles L.....	3.86	2,000
Seven Oaks Dairy.....	3.92	6,000
Spears, Clinton W.....	3.71	5,000
Sunnyhurst Dairy Inc.....	3.80	2,000
Ware Dairy.....	3.79	1,500
Weiss Farm.....	3.63	2,000
Whiting Milk Company.....	3.75	1,500
United Farmers of New England.....	3.85	1,000
Quinn Farm Dairy.....	3.80	1,000

INSPECTION OF FOOD

INSPECTIONS:	
Common Victuallers.....	203
Stores-Lord's Day and Food.....	93
Stores-Drug.....	68
Bakeries.....	22
Nuisance Complaints.....	93
Number of investigations made concerning complaints.....	254
Animal Permits granted.....	11
Animal Permit Inspections.....	33
Cesspool Inspections.....	4
Septic Tank Permits granted.....	1
Methyl and Wood Alcohol Licenses issued.....	28
Bacteriological examinations of eating utensils.....	560
Common Victuallers and Soda Fountains found above standard plate count of 100.....	123
Motel Inspections.....	3
Connections to Common Sewer ordered.....	3

Foods Condemned as Unfit for Human Consumption:

20 lbs. pork

6½ " frankfurts

13 " ham

Fire Damaged - Approximately 1,150 lbs. meat, fruit, vegetables, etc.

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INSPECTION OF FOOD

AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1959

	Bacterial Count			Scoring Grade %
	Dishes	Glasses	Silverware	
Federal Standard (not over).....	100	100	100	
COMMON VICTUALLERS' LICENSES:				
Bellevue Golf Club.....	36	18	10	84
Brighams Inc.....	35	30	13	88
Emerson Grille.....	16	91	61	80
Franklin Square Restaurant.....	98	500	19	60
F. W. Woolworth.....	10	69	28	83
Garvey Inc.....	46	P.S.	51	81
George's Submarine Shop.....	6	"	6	86
Golden Gate Restaurant.....	33	16	18	80
Gregg's Ice Cream Parlor.....	38	48	27	86
Jack's Lunch.....	24	90	49	84
Jerry's Lunch.....	96	80	32	78
The Lobster Shop.....	8	49	95	80
Lou's Lunch.....	42	42	48	81
Melrose Donut Shop.....	90	42	55	88
Melrose Wakefield Hospital Auxiliary....	27	14	20	89
Mt. Hood Golf Club.....	52	42	29	87
Perrillo's Submarine Sandwich Shop.....	P.S.	P.S.	P.S.	82
Pine Banks Refreshment Stand.....	99	170	63	78
Pondview Restaurant.....	26	35	62	88
Regent Delicatessen.....	54	32	90	86
Melrose Cafeteria.....	18	130	98	86
Stearns & Hill.....	29	44	65	88
FOUNTAIN SERVICE STORES:				
Austin Pharmacy.....		33	32	
Bell's Pharmacy.....		5	5	
LeBlanc Pharmacy.....		46	47	
Emerson Pharmacy.....		3	3	
Franklin Spa.....		55	69	
Grove Pharmacy.....		84	32	
Haslam Drug.....		5	4	
Rogers Pharmacy.....		45	24	
York Pharmacy.....		13	37	

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Devine
John J. Devine
Sanitary Inspector.

BOARD OF HEALTH

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

The Board of Health,
City of Melrose,
Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals for the City of Melrose, I herewith submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

Seventy Four (74) dogs were examined and quarantined for rabies observation as having inflicted injury by biting or scratching persons. There were no cases of rabies in the City this year.

Barns housing horses were inspected and found to be in good condition.

There are no cattle within the City.

Respectfully submitted,

Cornelius Thibeault

Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.N.
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Building Department respectfully submits, herewith, its
annual report for the year 1959.

The building, plumbing, and gas permits issued during the
year are classified below:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
67	Single dwellings	\$ 618,940.00
65	Reshingles	21,231.00
57	Alterations (Dwelling)	49,550.50
18	Alterations (Other)	56,950.00
14	Garages	13,850.00
19	Demolitions	--
7	Restoration of fire damage	10,400.00
3	Foundations only	4,800.00
3	Relocations	--
2	Sheds	350.00
1	Tool house	750.00
4	Tank installations	5,700.00
1	Church building	225,000.00
1	Addition to High School	800,000.00
2	Additions to nursing homes	14,000.00
1	New bank building	200,000.00
3	Business buildings	38,000.00
1	Apartment building (16)	70,000.00
Conversions:		
6	Single to 2-family dwellings	7,500.00
2	Two to 3-family dwellings	4,400.00
1	Three to 4-family dwellings	3,000.00
1	Three to 6-family dwelling	20,000.00
1	Barn to single dwelling	4,200.00
1	Dwelling to business building	10,000.00
<u>281</u>	<u>Building permits</u>	<u>\$2,178,621.50</u>

PLUMBING AND GAS DIVISION:

68	Permits to do plumbing in new buildings	\$ 91,550.00
408	Permits to replace plumbing in old buildings	97,745.00
99	Permits for the addition of plumbing in old buildings	85,660.00
4	Permits for the conversion of dwellings	4,100.00
2	Permits for new sewer connections in old buildings that require plumbing	225.00
<u>581</u>	<u>Plumbing permits</u>	<u>\$ 279,280.00</u>

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

331 Gas permits \$ 22,490.50

Number of plumbing fixtures installed	1,772
Number of visits of inspection for plumbing	1,186
Number of water tests for plumbing	70
Number of gas fits installed	36
Number of gas appliances installed	383
Number of permits to change gas piping and mains	4
Number of visits and tests on gas work	434

A total sum of \$3,324.75 was received by the Building Department from January 1 to December 31, 1959 for building, plumbing, and gas permit fees, code books, zoning maps, and Board of Appeal applications.

281 Building permits	\$ 1,814.50
581 Plumbing permits	1,010.50
331 Gas permits	229.50
30 Zoning maps	7.50
11 Code books	2.75
26 Board of Appeal applications	<u>260.00</u>

Total fees \$ 3,324.75

Respectfully submitted,

Francis A. Gins
Building Commissioner

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Cemetery Committee hereby submits its report of the Cemetery Department for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The regular work of services and maintenance has been carried on as usual.

Because of the addition of several new sections within the past few years, the problem of grass maintenance has been a matter of concern, and it will not be long before we will be obliged to add another man to our working force.

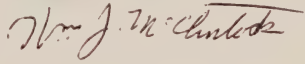
In the matter of permanent improvements, we have planted during the past year 50 trees both to replace some which have had to be removed and some in new sections. The work of repairing the sunken wall on Sylvan Street has been successfully completed. This work was done with the aid of the Public Works Department, and the concrete work and wall were built under existing city contracts. It is now hoped to have this corner graded and much improved during the coming year.

We wish to extend our thanks for the hearty co-operation of other departments who have aided us and especially to the Public Works Department for their very effective work in rebuilding the sunken wall.

Respectfully submitted,

The Cemetery Committee

By



December 31, 1959.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Cemetery Committee,
Melrose,
Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of the Superintendent of Wyoming Cemetery for the year ending December 31, 1959:

Interments:

Adults.	220
Children, 12 yrs. or under.	18
Cremated remains.	<u>13</u>
Total for 1959	251

Sale of Lots:

Sold during the year.	26
Total number sold to January 1, 1960.	2,719

Sale of Graves:

Sold during the year.	111
Total number sold to January 1, 1960.	5,035
Number of Lots under Perpetual Care.	2,020
Number of Single Graves under Perpetual Care	3,475
Number of Lots available for sale January 1, 1960, Regular, Sections D, H and 2.	26
Number of Lots available for sale January 1, 1960, in Sections 4, 5, and 6	156
Old Lots placed in Perpetual Care.	1

Respectfully submitted,

Howard O. Milton
Superintendent.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

DETAILS OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Year Ending December 31, 1959

Accounts	Appropriations and Transfers	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance To Revenue To Lot & of 1959 Or. Fund To 1960	
Maintenance: Salaries & Wages.	\$41,599.23			
Credit.	2,148.00	\$43,747.23	\$ 911.75	
Maintenance: Other Expenses.		6,100.00	3.43	
Grave Liners.	\$ 1,500.00	6,096.57		
Order 13004	1,443.00			
Order 13128	444.00			
Out of State Travel.		3,352.50	34.50	
Road Construction: Balance from 1958.			150.00	\$ 1,495.44
Pond Filling and Draining: Balance from 1958.				548.80
Trees and Landscaping: Balance from 1958.				257.00
Purchase of Lums and Fill.	\$ 1,500.00			
Order 13005	1,100.00			
Order 13128-A	600.00			
New Equipment.		3,198.90	1.10	
Wall Reconstruction: Balance from 1958.		1,710.00	34.20	
		2,450.95		
	\$63,046.42	\$59,610.20	\$ 1,134.98	\$ 2,301.24
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account:				
Balance from 1958	\$ 700.20			
Income, 1959.	11,459.72	\$12,159.92		
Pay rolls		\$11,967.36		\$ 192.56

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURESReceipts for Departmental Expenditures:

Appropriations and Transfers	\$63,046.42	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	<u>12,159.92</u>	\$75,206.34

Departmental Expenditures:

From Appropriations and Transfers	\$59,610.20
From Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	11,967.36

Unexpended Balance:

To Revenue of 1959.	1,134.98	
To 1960: Appropriation Accounts.	\$ 2,301.24	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income A/c	<u>192.56</u>	<u>2,497.80</u>
		\$75,206.34

Total Net Cash Receipts	\$33,283.47	
Credits, Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	<u>11,459.72</u>	\$44,743.19

Net Expenditures: Appropriation Accounts	\$52,284.55	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	<u>11,967.36</u>	<u>64,251.91</u>

Expenditures over Receipts.		\$19,508.72
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Total Pay roll: Maintenance: Salaries & Wages.	\$42,835.48	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	<u>11,967.36</u>	\$54,802.84

CASH RECEIPTS

Interments.		\$ 7,915.00
Foundations		2,061.19
Lot Sales		1,872.90
Grave Sales	\$ 2,685.00	
Less Refunds	<u>132.00</u>	2,553.00
Perpetual Care.	\$12,536.60	
Less Refunds	<u>258.00</u>	12,278.60
Animal Care		295.78
Miscellaneous		2,324.00
Grave Liners.		<u>3,983.00</u>
Total Net Cash Receipts.		\$33,283.47

REPORT OF THE CITY AUDITOR

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 3, Section 39 of the Revised Ordinances, I herewith submit the annual report of the City Auditor for the year ending December 31, 1959.

I have examined the several trust funds of the Treasurer-Collector and the trust funds of the Trustees of the Public Library together with all securities, coupons and savings accounts in the savings banks and trust companies. All income for the year was accounted for and all expenditures were properly supported by vouchers.

During the fiscal year 1959 all known obligations of the City were paid in full or adequate reserves established to provide for their ultimate payment. All serial loans and short term debt obligations were paid when due. Interest payments on all forms of outstanding debt were promptly made.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur M. Goddard
City Auditor.

CITY AUDITOR

FINANCES

The Assessed Valuation of the City

January 1, 1959

Real Estate

Personal Property

\$48,035,400.00

3,675,750.00

51,711,150.00

Rate of Taxation per \$1,000.00 of Valuation \$66.30

Appropriations:

Budget and Revenue Orders

County Tax

County Tuberculosis Tax

Metropolitan Park Tax

Metropolitan Sewer Tax

Metropolitan Water Tax

Smoke Inspection Service Tax

State Audit of Municipal Accounts Tax

State Examination of Retirement System

Overlays for Abatements

Debt and Interest Charges

Court Judgments

Contributory Retirement System

\$4,387,700.55

160,225.49

38,962.00

46,968.68

118,269.79

52,199.52

638.74

4,548.23

203.91

78,351.90

16,900.00

60,201.87

54,105.94

\$5,019,276.62

Deduct: Estimated Receipts

Income Tax

Corporation Tax

Old Age Meal Tax

City Accounts

State and County Overestimates

285,521.75

144,466.15

10,876.68

1,119,639.43

12,473.36

1,572,977.37

3,446,299.25

Net Amount To Be Raised By Taxation:

Poll Tax

Real Estate Tax

Personal Property Tax

\$17,850.00

3,184,747.02

243,702.23

\$3,446,299.25

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1959

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BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1959

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<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities and Reserves</u>	
Special Taxes		Unexpended Appropriation Balances	
Estates of Deceased Persons		Sale of Tax Title Possessions Fund	\$92,814.33
Departmental		Sale of Real Estate Fund	5,276.23
Memorial Building Rentals		Sale of Lots and Graves and Accumulated Income	4,030.00
Police			24,182.04
Wire	\$936.15	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:	
General Relief	686.40	Mt. Hood Memorial Park	\$60,183.37
Old Age Assistance	145.29	Library Fines	1,462.30
Aid to Dependent Children	872.92	" Duplicate Book	390.08
Veterans Services	6,997.33	Parking Meters - Street	6,070.64
School	3,834.21	" Off Street	2,871.38
Forestry	15,696.56		
Private Sewer	11,496.69	Federal Grants	
Highway Repairing	134.17	Administration - Old Age	492.81
Traffic Beacons	1,183.78	Aid to Dependent Children	2,497.11
Individual Walks	50.00	Disability Assistance	1,578.20
Water - Inside Service	736.39	Assistance - Old Age	0
City Hall Rentals	60.78	Aid to Dependent Children	3,979.13
	968.03	Disability Assistance	492.70
	<u>50.00</u>		9,039.95
Water			
Water Rates	34,046.70	Federal Assistance Education	
Added to Taxes	3.28	Public Law 874	37,764.00
1959	<u>995.60</u>	" 864	2,037.03
State and County Aid to Highways		Smith Hughes and Barden Fund	166.00
Overlay Deficits		Revenue Reserved Until Collected	
Levy of 1957	883.88	Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	50,870.88
Levy of 1958	<u>1,006.71</u>	Tax Titles and Possessions	21,503.46
		Special Taxes	265.47
Underestimates of 1959		Special Assessments	1,679.46
County Assessment	3,806.41	Departmental	42,848.70
State Assessment	<u>1.54</u>	Water	35,045.58
Court Judgment			153,213.55

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1959

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Apportioned Assessments - Not Due
Sewer
Sidewalk
Street

CITY AUDITOR

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1959

AssetsDEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTSApportioned Sewer Assessments Revenue:

Due in 1970	\$9,357.00
1971	9,320.00
1972	5,702.00
1973	5,665.00
1974	4,995.00
1975	4,825.00
1976	2,009.00
1977	1,110.00
1978	120.00
1979	38.00
	<u>\$144,674.67</u>

Apportioned Sidewalk Revenue:

Due in 1960	2,415.00
1961	2,268.00
1962	1,957.00
1963	1,007.00
1964	784.00
1965	774.00
1966	769.00
1967	769.00
1968	759.00
1969	754.00
1970	754.00
1971	738.00
1972	686.00
1973	681.00
1974	676.00
1975	671.00
1976	589.00
1977	284.00
1978	72.00
	<u>17,407.00</u>

Apportioned Street Revenue:

Due in 1960	15,773.27
1961	15,623.00
1962	15,623.00
1963	14,633.00
1964	11,116.00
1965	11,084.00
1966	11,030.00

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1959

AssetsDEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTSApportioned Street Revenue:

Due in 1967	\$10,953.00
1968	10,898.00
1969	10,887.00
1970	10,869.00
1971	10,854.00
1972	10,844.00
1973	10,808.00
1974	10,792.00
1975	8,855.00
1976	6,064.00
1977	3,967.00
1978	2,490.00
1979	395.00
	<u>203,558.27</u>
	<u>365,639.94</u>

CITY AUDITOR

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt
 Inside Debt Limit General
 Outside Debt Limit "

	120,000.00
	1,300,000.00
	<u>1,420,000.00</u>

	120,000.00
	1,300,000.00
	<u>1,420,000.00</u>

Liabilities and ReservesTRUST FUND AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:

Cash and Securities

In Custody of City Treasurer
 In Custody of Memorial Building Trustees
 In Custody of Library Trustees

	500,364.48
	5,745.02
	<u>47,644.75</u>

In Custody of City Treasurer:

Welfare Funds

A. C. Marie Currier
 Andrew Burnett
 George Emerson

School Funds

Community Civics
 Levi S. Gould
 Norman F. Hesselstine
 Sarah E. Fitch
 Margaret B. Wing
 Omicron Delta

	24,912.34
	2,000.00
	<u>22,267.78</u>
	50.00
	1,000.00
	100.00
	221.95
	601.20
	<u>5,495.99</u>

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1959

AssetsTrust Fund and Investment Accounts (Cont'd)School Funds:

Stalker Scholarship
 Adelaide Colburn
 Victor and Nellie Friend

Library Funds:

William E. Bailey
 William E. Barrett
 Horatio N. Perkins

Park Fund:

Sarah A. Chever
 Memorial Building Fund:
 John C. F. Slayton

Cemetery Funds:

Perpetual Care
 Samuel McDaniel
 Wyoming Cemetery - Flowers
 Oscar F. Frost
 Coyle Perpetual Care

Other Funds:

Stabilization Fund
 200 th Anniversary
 In Custody of Memorial Building Trustees
 John C. F. Slayton Fund-Income
 In Custody of Library - Trustees

Sarah A. Chever
 Jabez Dyer
 Sarah E. Odlin
 Stephen C. Deering
 Felix A. Gendrot
 Lizzie T. P. Smith

Liabilities and Reserves

\$13,536.40
 6,000.00
 5,162.22

2,500.00
 75.00
 500.00

1,500.00

10,000.00

328,511.50
 100.00
 3,419.25
 1,184.63
 500.00

70,660.20
66.02

\$500,364.48

5,745.02

871.71
 1,437.64
 2,140.01
 558.38
 42,054.98
582.03

\$553,754.25

47,644.75
553,754.25

CITY AUDITOR

CASH STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

Cash, January 1, 1959		
Revenue	\$575,732.35	
Non-Revenue	<u>3,811.59</u>	579,543.94
Add: Receipts in 1959		
Taxes	3,355,636.09	
Estimated Receipts, per Schedule A	1,623,133.84	
Tax Titles Redeemed	812.59	
State and County Aid to Highways, Chapter 90	28,954.02	
Federal Assistance for School Lunch	33,461.29	
Temporary Loans	1,400,000.00	
County Dog Tax Grant for Library	2,459.77	
Dog License Collections for County	3,462.75	
Trust Fund Receipts	2,326.59	
Cemetery Trust Funds	12,115.07	
Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts	46,634.66	
Library - Fines and Duplicate Fund	6,587.77	
Parking Meter Fees - Street	8,996.45	
- Off Street	5,125.12	
Sale of Lots and Graves	4,425.90	
Bequests for Perpetual Care	12,278.60	
Federal Grants for Welfare and Recoveries	223,608.32	
Federal Grants for Welfare Administration	14,570.62	
Guarantee Deposits	4,140.29	
Withholding Tax Deductions - Federal	392,392.44	
- State	32,975.60	
School Lunch Receipts	62,032.66	
Physical Education Receipts	5,826.71	
Adult Education Receipts	709.00	
Fire Loss Insurance	1,840.82	
School Grants - Public Law 864	3,457.17	
- Public Law 874	24,829.64	
Employees Refund - Blue Cross	6,803.88	
Bond Issue - High School	1,300,000.00	
Premium	1,287.00	
Voted from Sale of Lots and Graves	1,700.00	
Receipts Applied to Refunds	6,710.54	
Payments Applied to Refunds	23,951.28	
		<u>8,653,246.48</u>
		9,232,790.42
Deduct:		
Expenditures, per Schedule B	4,584,822.24	
C	<u>3,084,917.32</u>	7,669,739.56
Cash, December 31, 1959:		
Revenue	637,554.58	
Non-Revenue (Cash and Securities)	<u>925,496.28</u>	<u>1,563,050.86</u>

CITY AUDITOR

SCHEDULE A

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Year Ending December 31, 1959.

<u>Income Tax</u>		\$369,996.90
<u>Corporation Tax</u>		176,066.14
<u>Old Age Meal Tax</u>		13,304.30
<u>Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise</u>		
Levy of 1956	\$42.29	
1957	625.18	
1958	28,049.54	
1959	<u>363,695.79</u>	392,412.80
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>		
City Clerk - Garage	2,155.50	
Marriage	498.00	
Miscellaneous	666.00	
State - Peddler	25.00	
Health - Milk, Cream, etc.	200.50	
Mayor - Amusement		
Building	1,783.50	
Gas	229.50	
Plumbing	1,010.50	
Fire	43.90	
Police	<u>182.00</u>	6,794.40
<u>Fines</u>	<u>1,085.25</u>	1,085.25
<u>Special Assessments</u>		
Sewer - Paid in Advance	3,817.02	
1958	673.56	
1959	<u>12,149.40</u>	16,639.98
Sidewalk - Paid in Advance	443.00	
1958	73.25	
1959	<u>2,849.95</u>	3,366.20
Street - Paid in Advance	11,077.28	
1957	21.52	
1958	468.43	
1959	<u>15,950.47</u>	27,517.70
<u>General Government</u>		
Auditor	19.16	
Mayor	.65	
Treasurer-Collector - Costs	1,874.00	
Tax Title Costs	6.00	
Municipal Lien	1,578.00	
Betterment Release	43.00	
Receipts	164.17	
Guarantee Deposit Forfeit	3,000.00	
City Clerk - Mortgages	93.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	1,052.35	
Fees	614.75	
Security Agreements	2,621.00	
Board of Appeal	260.00	
Election and Registration	577.00	
Planning Board	17.00	
Public Works	1,892.33	
Taxes on Estates	1,696.77	
Workmen's Compensation	55.71	
		15,564.89
<u>Protection of Persons and Property</u>		
Police - Ambulance	2,667.50	
Receipts	42.00	
Fire - Receipts	10.19	
Wire - Receipts	63.72	
Weights and Measures	142.65	
Building	10.25	
Forestry	<u>1,862.46</u>	4,798.77

CITY AUDITOR

SCHEDULE A

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Year Ending December 31, 1959.

<u>Health and Sanitation</u>		
Health - Miscellaneous	\$368.00	
Bus Fares	226.60	
Tuberculosis	1,307.42	
Private Sewer	<u>15,073.18</u>	\$17,065.20
<u>Highways</u>		
Highway Repairing	107.73	
Driveways	1,967.83	
Individual Walks	<u>1,979.41</u>	4,054.97
<u>Charities</u>		
General Relief	6,331.08	
Aid to Dependent Children	13,101.61	
Disability Assistance	<u>19,594.20</u>	39,026.89
<u>Old Age</u>		
Recoveries	1,775.97	
Old Age Assistance	<u>211,327.68</u>	213,103.65
<u>Veterans Services</u>		
Veterans Benefits	14,869.39	
Receipts	<u>557.80</u>	15,427.19
<u>School</u>		
Rentals	484.07	
Tuition	451.36	
Receipts	4,481.14	
Vocational Education (State)	3,923.97	
Retarded Children (State)	<u>10,310.02</u>	19,650.56
<u>Library</u>		
Sale of Books	<u>8.00</u>	8.00
<u>Recreation</u>		
Memorial Building Rentals	3,328.80	
Park Receipts	88.45	
Pine Banks Receipts	5.93	
Recreation Receipts	<u>166.75</u>	3,589.93
<u>Public Service</u>		
Water Rates	191,708.68	
Added 1958	601.36	
1959	11,567.59	
Inside Services	8,415.89	
Hydrant Rental	<u>11,440.00</u>	223,733.52
<u>Cemeteries</u>		
Miscellaneous Receipts	15,783.19	
Care of Lots	<u>295.78</u>	16,078.97
<u>Interest - Taxes</u>		
Taxes	1,672.98	
Assessments	37.24	
Motor Vehicle Excise	539.47	
Tax Title	107.99	
Committed Interest 1957	6.35	
1958	470.98	
1959	<u>12,834.72</u>	15,669.73
<u>Interest - Deposits</u>		
	<u>15,864.89</u>	15,864.89
<u>Farm Animal Excise</u>		
	<u>10.20</u>	10.20
<u>State Assistance- School Construction</u>		
	<u>12,302.81</u>	12,302.81
TOTAL		<u>\$1,623,133.84</u>

CITY AUDITOR

SCHEDULE B

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

	<u>Available</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Reserved to 1960</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>General Government</u>				
Aldermen				
Salary - Clerk	\$3,085.00	\$2,868.96		\$216.04
Other Expense	2,925.00	2,343.52		581.48
Mayor				
Salaries and Wages	9,555.72	9,550.40		5.32
Other Expenses	1,600.00	1,564.45		35.55
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00		
Urban Renewal and Survey	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Auditor				
Salaries and Wages	18,011.96	18,011.96		
Other Expenses	2,469.00	2,466.57		2.43
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
Purchase & Install Account.Mchn.	6,100.00	5,876.50	223.50	
New Equipment	681.50	653.90		27.60
Treasurer-Collector				
Salaries and Wages	26,793.27	26,356.42		436.85
Other Expense	7,735.00	7,712.08		22.92
Certification of Bonds	3,983.26	3,960.36		22.90
Land Court Procedure	50.00	25.12		24.88
Assessors				
Salaries and Wages	19,497.38	19,430.65		66.73
Other Expense	3,300.00	3,284.12		15.88
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00		
City Clerk				
Salaries and Wages	18,488.02	17,997.35		490.67
Other Expense	1,275.00	1,008.51		266.49
Vital Statistics	500.00	494.26		5.74
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
City Solicitor				
Salaries and Wages	4,872.50	4,872.42		.08
Other Expenses	300.00	189.53		110.47
Suits and Claims	300.00	65.33		234.67
Office Expense	2,750.00	2,750.00		
Election and Registration				
Salaries and Wages	10,542.18	10,352.50		189.68
Other Expense	5,400.00	5,241.72		158.28
Personnel Board				
Salaries and Wages	2,066.50	2,066.50		
Other Expense	400.00	328.86		71.14
Planning Board				
Salaries and Wages	3,166.00	2,961.98		204.02
Other Expense	650.00	611.07		38.93
Preparing Plans Including Re- vised Master Plan	16,500.00	2,000.00	14,500.00	
Workmen's Compensation				
Administration Expense	1,026.00	752.89		273.11
Compensation	11,000.00	3,094.53		7,905.47
Board of Appeal				
Salaries and Wages	327.00	327.00		
Other Expense	230.00	181.29		48.71
Property Valuation Board				
Other Expense	347.40	59.00	288.40	
Fence Viewers	15.00			15.00

CITY AUDITOR

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

	Available	Expended	Reserved to 1960	Balance
<u>General Government (Continued)</u>				
Public Works				
Salaries and Wages	\$29,861.10	\$29,750.88		\$110.22
Other Expense	2,600.00	2,498.94		101.06
Vacations	13,886.00	12,939.27		946.73
Holidays	9,116.00	8,421.72		694.28
City Yard Improvements	5,064.17	3,689.42		1,374.75
New Equipment	20,000.00	16,961.06		3,038.94
Overhead Expense	2,400.00*	3,716.84**		1,316.84
Sick Leave	7,469.97	6,997.01		472.96
Parking Meters -Salaries	4,290.00	4,135.72		154.28 A
Parking Meters -Maintenance	858.02	774.87		83.15 A
Out of State Travel	20.00	18.00		2.00
Engineers				
Salaries and Wages	26,886.50	26,736.61		149.89
Other Expense	1,800.00	1,698.04		101.96
City Hall				
Salaries and Wages	7,760.40	7,722.56		37.84
Other Expense	10,170.00	9,602.45		567.55
Land Taking-Rear Fire Station and Development of Parking Lot	10,099.56	10,089.73		9.83
Memorial Building-Sal. & Wgs.	6,234.60	6,072.45		162.15
Other Expense	6,000.00	4,391.88		1,608.12
Capital Improvements	2,500.00	1,129.34	1,370.66	
Total General Government	349,759.01	310,672.86	16,382.56	22,703.59
<u>Protection of Persons and Property</u>				
Police				
Salaries and Wages	247,188.00	246,954.00		234.00
Other Expenses	4,600.00	4,339.00		261.00
Equipment and Repairs	7,330.00	7,207.14		122.86
Indemnification	100.00	77.07		22.93
Parking Meters - Salaries & Wgs.	4,900.00	4,885.05		14.95 A
Maintenance of Buildings	6,776.40	5,923.82		852.58
School Traffic Supervisors	15,065.00	13,957.49		1,107.51
Uniforms	1,800.00	1,800.00		
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00		
New Cruiser	4,125.98	4,125.98		
Fire				
Salaries and Wages	267,856.82	267,292.71		564.11
Other Expenses	4,300.00	4,013.14		286.86
Equipment and Repairs	5,832.15	5,561.17		270.98
Repairs to Buildings	2,500.00	2,212.74		287.26
Fuel and Light	4,300.00	4,199.64		100.36
New Hose	2,078.00	2,028.96		49.04
Hydrant Rental	11,440.00	11,440.00		
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
New Car - Chief	2,800.00	2,550.91		249.09
Indemnification	1,407.48	1,407.48		
Building				
Salaries and Wages	14,667.80	14,646.05		21.75
Other Expense	1,200.00	1,181.59		18.41
Wire				
Salaries and Wages	15,768.44	15,276.02		492.42
Other Expense	300.00	290.17		9.83
Police Signal & Fire Alarm Mtnc.	4,500.00	4,392.29		107.71
New Equipment	1,995.00	1,995.00		
Civil Defense				
Salaries and Wages	832.00	831.87		.13
Other Expense	3,531.62	3,498.66	32.96	

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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

	Available	Expended	Reserved to 1960	Balance
<u>Protection of Persons and Property</u> (Continued)				
Weights and Measures				
Salaries and Wages	\$1,761.00	\$1,760.94		.06
Other Expense	460.00	321.64		\$138.36
Forestry-Care of Trees, Insects Pests, etc.	33,090.00	31,621.20		1,468.80
Dog Officer				
Salaries and Wages	781.50	781.44		.06
Other Expense	249.00	249.00		
Total Protection of Persons & Property	\$67,386.19	666,972.17	32.96	6,831.06
<u>Health and Sanitation</u>				
<u>Health</u>				
Salaries and Wages	\$30,389.14	\$30,071.73		\$317.41
Other Expense	1,845.00	1,841.83		3.17
Tuberculosis	3,500.00	1,853.32		1,646.68
Quarantine & Contagious Diseases	300.00	110.00		190.00
Immunization of Dogs (Rabies)	350.00	277.00		73.00
Transportation-Dental Clinic	744.00	681.50		62.50
Dental Clinic-Administration Exp.	1,000.00	657.63		342.37
" " -Salaries and Wages	8,850.00	6,648.68		2,201.32
Care of Premature Infants	1,000.00	408.00		592.00
Laboratory, etc. Expense	175.00	151.46		23.54
Mosquito Suppression	2,500.00	1,946.15		553.85
Polio Clinic	150.00	111.25		38.75
Out of State Travel	100.00	52.85		47.15
<u>Sanitation</u>				
Sewer and Surface Drain Constr.	15,331.76	14,270.87		1,060.89
Hunt Terrace Drain	1,000.00	32.42		967.58
Windsor Street Drain	865.36	865.35		
Sewer Construction	28,850.65	20,200.30	3,306.62	5,343.73
Sewer Maintenance	10,625.00	10,590.45		34.55
Sewers - Private	16,774.00	16,620.46		153.54
Sewer Connections General	1,000.00	163.91		836.09
Operation Pumping Station at Upham St. and Fellsway	3,300.00	3,113.27		186.73
Surface Drain Maintenance	16,495.00	16,444.21		50.79
Collection of Ashes, etc.	51,310.00	48,725.89		2,584.11
Changes and Additions to Dump	3,000.00	2,022.24	977.76	
Drainage, etc. Pine Banks Dump	1,500.00	1,499.71		.29
Street Cleaning	15,305.00	13,740.72		1,564.28
Collection of Garbage	34,100.00	45,021.54		78.46
Total Health and Sanitation	250,359.91	227,122.75	4,284.38	18,952.78
<u>Highways and Bridges</u>				
<u>Highway Division</u>				
Highway Repairing	71,025.00	67,733.25		3,291.75
Chapter 718 Repairing	364.56	112.62	251.94	
Repair of Private Ways	10,000.00	5,026.61	3,499.32	1,474.07
Traffic Signs and Markings	4,898.00	4,624.46		273.54
Highways - Construction	84,857.91	52,497.36	30,097.35	2,263.20
" Chapter 90 Constr.	81,000.00	75,208.07	5,791.93	
<u>Sidewalks and Surbings</u>				
Individual Walks	3,755.00	2,278.39		1,476.61
Driveways	2,540.00	1,821.11		718.89
Repair of Walks	15,937.00	15,530.19		406.81
Continuous Walks	20,582.60	16,834.48	2,173.24	1,574.88
Snow Removal and Sanding	30,855.00	24,308.59		6,546.41
Street Lighting	47,335.00	47,286.41		48.59

CITY AUDITOR

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

	Available	Expended	Reserved to 1960	Balance
<u>Highways and Bridges (Continued)</u>				
Highway Division				
Traffic Beacons	\$3,420.00	\$3,290.06		\$129.94
Install Traffic Signals-Melrose and Tremont Streets	1,500.00		\$1,500.00	
Automotive - Salaries and Wages	2,880.00	2,880.00		
" - Other Expense	1,000.00	3,761.06**		4,761.06
Total Highways and Bridges	381,950.07	315,670.54	43,313.78	22,965.75
<u>Public Welfare</u>				
General Administration	19,179.00	18,428.64		750.36
General Relief	17,500.00	17,497.34		2.66
Old Age Assistance	276,000.00	275,814.74		185.26
Aid to Dependent Children	16,000.00	14,854.93		1,145.07
Disability Assistance	32,500.00	31,720.00		780.00
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00		
Total Public Welfare	361,329.00	358,465.65		2,863.35
<u>Veterans Services</u>				
Salaries and Wages	11,038.38	10,986.52		51.86
Other Expense	1,250.00	1,214.77		35.23
Veterans Benefits	35,000.00	34,805.91		194.09
Veterans Burials	300.00	88.00		212.00
Total Veterans Services	47,588.38	47,095.20		493.18
<u>Education</u>				
Salaries and Wages	1,582,023.00	1,581,537.26		485.74
Other General Expense	11,500.00	11,488.76		11.24
Textbooks and Supplies	85,984.00	82,581.63		3,402.37
Plant Maint. and Operation	160,704.82	160,384.92		319.90
Out of State Travel	750.00	547.42		202.58
Adult Education	8,463.00	8,383.43		79.57
Sprinkler System	15,000.00	10,375.18	4,624.82	
Horace Mann Playground	3,500.00	3,479.37		20.63
Total Education	1,867,924.82	1,858,777.97	4,624.82	4,522.03
<u>Library</u>				
Salaries and Wages	62,552.03	62,435.93		116.10
Other Expense	3,200.00	3,192.95		7.05
Books	12,959.77	12,927.28		32.49 B
Fuel and Light	1,875.00	1,844.09		30.91
Building and Janitors Supplies	850.00	850.00		
Binding	1,900.00	1,898.20		1.80
Highlands Branch - Rent	1,950.00	1,908.40		41.60
Out of State Travel	150.00	150.00		
Roof Repairs	200.00	29.52		170.48
New Equipment	500.00	497.25		2.75
Total Library	86,136.80	85,733.62		403.18
<u>Recreation</u>				
Pine Banks Park				
Salaries and Wages	11,965.45	11,954.10		11.35
Other Expense	2,850.00	2,822.52		27.48
Out of State Travel	75.00	75.00		
-Road Repairs	200.00	188.95		11.05
Loan for Rebuilding Infields	300.00	296.35		3.65
Lighting Maintenance	300.00	297.71		2.29
Park				
General Administration Sal. & Wgs	\$18,853.00	18,832.61		20.39
All Other Salaries and Wages	33,480.00	30,179.94		3,300.06
Holidays, Labor Vacation	3,820.00	3,474.98		345.02
Administration Expense	900.00	849.60		50.40
All Other Expense	7,275.00	6,886.48		388.52

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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

	Available	Expended	Reserved to 1960	Balance
<u>Recreation (Continued)</u>				
Park				
Golf Maintenance & Operation	\$31,625.00	\$26,493.89		\$5,131.11 C
Recreation Building- "	8,255.00	7,197.38		1,057.62 C
Athletic Field - Salaries	5,590.00	5,164.26		425.74
" " - Maintenance	2,725.00	1,462.58		1,262.42
Ski Tow-Maintenance & Operation	2,050.00	455.23		1,594.77 C
Christmas Decoration	200.00	182.93		17.07
Out of State Travel	150.00	149.66		.34
New Equipment	3,500.00	3,500.00		
Tar Roads	1,000.00	53.90	946.10	
Recreation				
Salaries and Wages	7,046.00	7,044.83		1.17
Other Expenses	3,850.00	3,636.51		213.49
Hallowe'en, July 4th	650.00	625.57		24.43
Out of State Travel	150.00	55.95		94.05
Busses to Swimming Pool	2,000.00	1,757.50		242.50
Total Recreation	148,809.45	133,638.43	946.10	14,224.92
<u>Celebrations</u>				
Memorial Day				
Band	300.00	300.00		
American Legion	300.00	300.00		
Decorate Graves of Union Soldiers	400.00	347.10		52.90
Veterans of Foreign Wars	400.00	400.00		
Disabled American Veterans	50.00	36.50		13.50
World War I Barracks 1167	200.00	105.00		95.00
World War II -Memorial Maint.	100.00	100.00		
Draftees Recognition	200.00	33.00		167.00
Christmas Lighting				
City Hall	880.00	308.35		571.65
Memorial Building	250.00	15.00		235.00
Main Street	550.00	550.00		
Total Celebrations	3,630.00	2,494.95		1,135.05
<u>Pensions</u>				
Non-Contributory	95,338.94	95,322.53		16.41
Contributory	54,105.94	54,105.94		
Total Pensions	149,444.88	149,428.47		16.41
<u>Public Service Enterprises</u>				
Water Maintenance & Operations	82,270.00	80,684.09		1,585.91
Water Construction	32,560.00	32,346.91		213.09
Water Inside Services	9,175.00	8,887.44		287.56
Total Public Service Enterprises	124,005.00	121,918.44		2,086.56
<u>Cemeteries</u>				
Maintenance				
Salaries and Wages	43,747.23	42,835.48		911.75
Other Expense	6,100.00	6,096.57		3.43
Grave Liners	3,387.00	3,352.50		34.50
Out of State Travel	150.00			150.00
Drain and Fill Pond	548.80		548.80	
Road Construction	1,495.44		1,495.44	
Plant,Trees and Landscaping	257.00		257.00	
Rebuild Wall	2,450.95	2,450.95		
New Equipment	1,710.00	1,675.80		34.20
Purchase of Loam and Fill	1,700.00	1,699.25		.75 D
Purchase of Fill-New Section	1,500.00	1,499.65		.35 D
Install Heating System	255.00			255.00 D
Total Cemeteries	63,301.42	59,610.20	2,301.24	1,389.98

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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959

	<u>Available</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Reserved to 1960</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Municipal Indebtedness</u>				
School Construction	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00		
<u>Interest</u>				
Revenue Notes	34,420.00	33,761.89		658.11
<u>Unclassified</u>				
Rental of Quarters				
American Legion	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Veterans of Foreign Wars	700.00	700.00		
Disabled American Veterans	25.00			25.00
Amvets	400.00	400.00		
Insurance	22,755.00	19,833.13		2,921.87
Claims	425.00	425.00		
Printing City Reports	550.00	527.34		22.66
Ell Pond Improvement	10,140.00	10,139.64		.36
Stabilization Fund	64,993.60	64,993.60		
Land Taking				
Burnett St.	800.42	781.75	18.67	
Potter St.	119.04	119.04		
Between Main and Albion Streets	2,000.00	23.18	1,976.82	
Portion of Lot 24	341.64	3.00	338.64	
Faulkner Place	92.15			92.15
Larrabee Place	93.15			93.15
School Construction				
Roosevelt Addition	3,522.08	1,942.01	1,580.07	
Demolish Gooch School and				
Develop Playground	1,186.31	732.99		453.32
Demolish House 31 Potter St.	1,000.00	884.53		115.47
Restore Veterans War				
Memorial Window	325.00	320.00		5.00
Salary Increase 1959	4,376.27			4,376.27
Bills Payable 1958	6,796.96	6,442.43		354.53
Bills Payable 1959		17,014.29**	17,014.29	
Total Unclassified	121,641.62	92,253.35	20,928.49	8,459.78
Court Judgments		1,205.75	1,205.75*	

Legend

- * Debit
- ** Credit
- A To Parking Meter Receipts
- B To Library Fines
- C To Mt. Hood Park Receipts
- D To Sale of Lots and Graves

CITY AUDITOR

RECAPITULATIONAppropriations and Expenditures for Year
Ending December 31, 1959

	<u>Available</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Reserved to 1960</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General Government	\$349,759.01	\$310,672.86	\$16,382.56	\$22,703.59
Protection-Persons and Property	673,836.19	666,972.17	32.96	6,831.06
Health and Sanitation	250,359.91	227,122.75	4,284.38	18,952.78
Highways and Bridges	381,950.07	315,670.54	43,313.78	22,965.75
Public Welfare	361,329.00	358,465.65		2,863.35
Veterans Services	47,588.38	47,095.20		493.18
Education	1,867,924.82	1,858,777.97	4,624.82	4,522.03
Library	86,136.80	85,733.62		403.18
Recreation	148,809.45	133,638.43	946.10	14,224.92
Celebrations	3,630.00	2,494.95		1,135.05
Pensions	149,444.88	149,428.47		16.41
Public Service Enterprises	124,005.00	121,918.44		2,086.56
Cemeteries	63,301.42	59,610.20	2,301.24	1,389.98
Municipal Indebtedness	120,000.00	120,000.00		
Interest	34,420.00	33,761.89		658.11
Unclassified	121,641.62	92,253.35	20,928.49	8,459.78
Court Judgment		1,205.75	1,205.75*	
To Excess and Deficiency				99,381.26
To Parking Meter Receipts				252.38
To Library Fines				32.49
To Mt. Hood Receipts				7,783.50
To Sale of Lots and Graves				256.10
	\$4,784,136.55	\$4,584,822.24	\$31,608.58	\$107,705.73

CITY AUDITOR

SCHEDULE C

Miscellaneous Expenditures

<u>Account</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Temporary Loans Paid		\$1,400,000.00
County Dog Tax		3,464.50
State and County Assessments:		
Metropolitan-Park	\$42,761.20	
Sewer	109,381.24	
Water	52,199.52	
State - Smoke Inspection	640.28	
Audit	4,548.23	
Retirement System	203.91	
County - Tax	163,715.23	
Tuberculosis Hospital	<u>38,962.00</u>	412,411.61
Trust Funds		7,310.72
Cemetery - Perpetual Care		11,967.36
Library - Duplicate Fund		841.31
Paid to Fund: Perpetual Care		13,823.00
Sale of Lots and Graves		6,043.00
From Federal Grants for Welfare		
Administrative	14,106.32	
Old Age Assistance	170,715.46	
Aid to Dependent Children	21,535.49	
Disability Assistance	<u>16,482.15</u>	222,839.42
School Revolving Funds		
Lunch Program	89,852.70	
Physical Education	25,713.40	
Adult Education (Barden Fund)	<u>174.00</u>	115,740.10
Federal Grants for Education		
Public Law 864	1,420.14	
874	<u>2,118.45</u>	3,538.59
Refunds:		
Guarantee Deposits	6,544.29	
Abated Taxes, etc.	23,951.28	
All Other	<u>6,710.54</u>	37,206.11
Withholding Taxes		409,722.88
Tailings		97.00
Non-Revenue:		
School Construction		439,911.72
TOTAL		3,084,917.32

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK

January 31, 1960

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the City Clerk's Department for the year 1959 follows:

The amounts received by the City Clerk for fees for official services from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1959, were as follows:-

For recording and indexing fishing, hunting, sporting and trapping licenses	\$ 170.50
For recording and indexing dog licenses	444.25
For recording marriage certificates	498.00
For licenses to keep and store gasoline and other inflammable materials, and for filing certificates of registration of such licenses	2,155.50
For miscellaneous licenses	691.00
For copies of records, etc.	1,052.35
For recording and indexing discharges of mortgages of personal property and other instruments	93.00
For filing financing statements and copies of security agreements	<u>2,621.00</u>
Total Receipts	\$7,725.60
Less refunds	30.00
Total net receipts paid into City Treasury	<u>\$7,695.60</u>

The sum of \$3,907.00 has been received by this department for dog licenses issued from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1959, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:-

For 830 male dogs at \$2.00 each	\$1,660.00
*For 104 female dogs at \$5.00 each	510.00
*For 842 spayed female dogs at \$2.00 each	1,682.00
For 3 kennel licenses at \$10.00 each	30.00
For 1 kennel license at \$25.00	<u>25.00</u>

Total received for dog licenses \$3,907.00

*Two female dog licenses and one spayed female dog license were issued without charge for seeing-eye dogs.

Of the above amount received for dog licenses, \$3,462.75 was paid to the County of Middlesex, and \$444.25, representing the Clerk's fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

CITY CLERK

The sum of \$2,224.00 has been received for fishing, hunting, sporting and trapping licenses issued from January 1, 1959, to December 31, 1959, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:-

Resident Citizen Fishing licenses, 343 at \$3.25 each	\$1,114.75
Resident Citizen Hunting licenses, 159 at \$3.25 each	516.75
Resident Citizen Sporting licenses, 75 at \$5.25 each	393.75
Resident Citizen Minor Fishing licenses, 55 at \$1.25 each	68.75
Resident Citizen Female Fishing licenses, 46 at \$2.25 each	103.50
Resident Citizen Trapping license, 1 at \$7.75	7.75
Special Non-Resident Fishing licenses, 2 at \$2.75 each ..	5.50
Non-Resident Citizen or Alien Fishing license, 1 at \$7.75	7.75
Duplicate licenses, 11 at 50 cents each	5.50
Resident Citizen (over 70) Sporting licenses, 37 (free)	00.00

Total \$2,224.00

Of the above amount, \$2,053.50 has been paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Fisheries and Game, and the balance of \$170.50, representing the Clerk's fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded

Children born in Melrose of Melrose parents	326
Children born outside of Melrose of Melrose parents	252
Children born in Melrose of non-resident parents	973
Total number of births recorded	1,551

Marriages Recorded

Both parties residents and solemnized in Melrose	41
Both parties residents and solemnized elsewhere in state	11
Both parties residents and solemnized out of state	1
One party resident and solemnized in Melrose	82
One party resident and solemnized elsewhere in state	113
One party resident and solemnized out of state	2
Both parties non-residents and solemnized in Melrose	
Total number of marriages recorded	260

Deaths Recorded

Melrose residents occurring in Melrose	212
Melrose residents occurring elsewhere	112
Non-residents occurring in Melrose	141
Non-residents occurring elsewhere and buried in Melrose .	
Total number of deaths recorded	464

Raymond H. Greenlaw
Raymond H. Greenlaw, City Clerk

REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

To His Honor the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2-39 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Ordinances, I herewith submit my report as City Treasurer and Collector for the year 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley G. Bunker

Stanley G. Bunker
City Treasurer-Collector

CITY TREASURER CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1959

Cash, January 1, 1959			
Revenue	\$ 575,732.35		
Non-Revenue	<u>3,811.59</u>	\$ 579,543.94	
Receipts, January 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959			
Revenue	\$ 7,389,627.52		
Non-Revenue	<u>1,361,596.41</u>	8,751,223.93	
		\$ 9,330,767.87	
Payments, January 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959			
Revenue	\$ 7,327,972.79		
Non-Revenue			
School Construction \$439,744.22			
Invested <u>884,059.00</u>	<u>1,323,803.22</u>	\$ 8,651,776.01	
Balance, Cash December 31, 1959			
Revenue	\$ 637,387.08		
Non-Revenue	<u>41,604.78</u>	678,991.86	
		\$ 9,330,767.87	

LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Authorized by Aldermanic Order #12878	\$ 1,400,000.00
Notes paid in 1959	<u>1,400,000.00</u>
Balance due in 1960	000.00
Rate of discount, average	1.76%

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$ 2,769.74	
Added during 1959	<u>1,286.18</u>	\$ 4,055.92
Redemption and Foreclosure	\$ 1,150.22	
Balance, December 31, 1959	<u>2,905.70</u>	\$ 4,055.92

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR
FUNDS HELD BY THE CITY TREASURER

CEMETERY FUNDS:

Perpetual Care

	CASH	SECURITIES	TOTAL
January 1, 1959	\$ 554.55	\$ 313,047.00	\$ 313,601.55
December 31, 1959	228.30	327,370.00	327,598.30

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

City of Melrose, Collections	\$ 13,823.00	
Transferred from Melrose Savings Bank	15,677.00	
Premium received	173.75	
Cash on hand, January 1, 1959	<u>554.55</u>	30,228.30

PAYMENTS

Securities Purchased:

5,000 Michigan Bell Telephone Co.		
4 7/8s 1994	5,000.00	
5,000 Ohio Edison Co.		
4 1/2s 1989	5,000.00	
5,000 Standard Oil Co. of California	5,000.00	
4 3/8s 1983		
5,000 Standard Oil Co. of Indiana		
4 1/2s 1983	5,000.00	
10,000 U.S. Treasury 5s 1964	10,000.00	
Cash on hand, December 31, 1959	<u>228.30</u>	30,228.30

INCOME ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$ 1,190.75	
Income from Securities	<u>11,343.59</u>	12,534.34

PAYMENTS

Interest paid on Securities purchased	151.12	
Melrose Trust Company, Box Rent	10.00	
City of Melrose, Income	11,459.72	
Balance, December 31, 1959	<u>913.50</u>	12,534.34

SECURITIES IN FUND

Bonds

American Tel. & Tel. Co.	Dec. 1970	2-3/4	\$ 4,000.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	Aug. 1980	2-3/4	2,000.00
Arkansas Power & Light Co.	Oct. 1974	3-1/8	2,000.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.	Oct. 1995	4	6,000.00
Boston Edison Co.	Dec. 1970	2-3/4	15,000.00
Boston & Albany R. R.	Aug. 1978	4-1/4	8,000.00
Boston & Albany R. R.	Oct. 1963	5	3,000.00
Brooklyn Union Gas Co.	July 1976	2-7/8	5,000.00
Central Maine Power Co.	May 1976	2-3/4	10,000.00
Central Maine Power Co.	Oct. 1970	3-1/2	5,000.00

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Central Vermont Public Service Co.	Feb. 1975	2-3/4	\$ 13,000.00
Chesapeake & Ohio R.R.	May 1996	3-1/2	5,000.00
Connecticut Light & Power Co.	Oct. 1980	3	7,000.00
Consolidated Edison Co. of N.Y.	Apr. 1977	2-5/8	6,000.00
Consolidated Edison Co. of N.Y.	June 1988	4	5,000.00
Georgia Power Co.	Apr. 1983	3-3/4	3,000.00
Illinois Central Ry.	Aug. 1980	3-1/4	3,000.00
Louisville & Nashville R.R.	Apr. 2003	2-7/8	7,000.00
Metropolitan Edison Co.	Mar. 1982	3-1/4	2,000.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	Aug. 1994	4-7/8	5,000.00
Montana Power Co.	Oct. 1975	2-7/8	1,000.00
New Jersey Bell Tel. Co.	July 1988	3-1/8	2,000.00
New York Central Hudson River R.R.	Oct. 2013	4-1/2	3,000.00
Niagara Mohawk Power Co.	Aug. 1984	3-1/8	10,000.00
Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Aug. 1973	3-1/8	8,000.00
Ohio Edison Co.	Apr. 1989	4-1/2	5,000.00
Ohio Power Co.	Jan. 1983	3-3/8	2,000.00
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	June 1974	3	5,000.00
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	Dec. 1979	3	5,000.00
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	Dec. 1985	2-3/4	2,000.00
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	Oct. 1987	3-1/8	4,000.00
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co.	Mar. 1978	3-1/4	2,000.00
Pennsylvania Power Co.	Feb. 1982	3-1/4	2,000.00
Pennsylvania R. R.	June 1965	4-1/2	3,000.00
Pennsylvania Electric Co.	June 1976	2-3/4	4,000.00
Public Service Co. of N.H.	Jan. 1973	3-1/4	5,000.00
Southern Pacific Co. Oregon Lines	Mar. 1977	4-1/2	5,000.00
Southern Pacific R.R.	Jan. 1996	2-3/4	5,000.00
Standard Oil Co. of California	July 1983	4-3/8	5,000.00
Standard Oil Co. of Indiana	Oct. 1983	4-1/2	5,000.00
Toledo Edison Co.	Apr. 1977	2-7/8	3,000.00
U.S. Treasury Bonds	Dec. 1968	2-1/2	6,000.00
U.S. Treasury Bonds	June 1969	2-1/2	3,000.00
U.S. Treasury Notes	Aug. 1964	5	10,000.00
Virginia Railway	May 1995	3	5,000.00
Wisconsin Public Service Co.	Jan. 1971	3-1/4	5,000.00
Wisconsin Power & Light Co.	Aug. 1971	3-1/4	5,000.00
			<u>\$ 236,000.00</u>

Stocks

Shares

First National Bank of Boston	159	\$ 7,137.50
Merchants National Bank of Boston	120	4,044.00
National Shawmut Bank of Boston	150	4,212.50
Newton-Waltham Bank & Trust Co.	59	3,062.50
Rockland-Atlas National Bank & Trust	110	3,600.00
Second-Bank-State Street Trust Co.	77	5,692.50
		<u>\$ 27,749.00</u>

Cooperative Bank Shares

Concord Cooperative Bank	20	\$ 4,000.00
Melrose Cooperative Bank	80	16,000.00
Merchants Cooperative Bank	20	4,000.00
Middleboro Cooperative Bank	20	4,000.00
Peabody Cooperative Bank	30	6,000.00
Stoneham Cooperative Bank	40	8,000.00
		<u>\$ 42,000.00</u>

Savings Banks

Malden Savings Bank	\$ 5,000.00
Melrose Savings Bank	10,621.00
Suffolk Franklin Savings Bank	5,000.00
Warren Institution for Savings	1,000.00
	<u>21,621.00</u>
Cash, Uninvested	<u>228.30</u>

Total Investments \$ 327,598.30

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Stalker Scholarship Fund

Amount in fund December 31, 1959				\$ 13,536.40
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	Dec. 1970	2-3/4	\$ 3,000.00	
Arkansas Power & Light Co.	Aug. 1978	3-1/8	2,000.00	
Commonwealth Edison Co.	Mar. 1987	4-1/4	5,000.00	
Montana Power Co.	Oct. 1975	2-7/8	1,000.00	
Pacific Gas & Elec. Co.	June 1966	3-1/2	1,000.00	
Public Service Co. of N.H.	Jan. 1973	3-1/4	1,000.00	
Melrose Savings Bank			<u>536.40</u>	\$ 13,536.40

Income Account

Receipts				
Balance, January 1, 1959		\$	481.00	
Income from Securities			467.50	
Payments				
School Department, Tuition				\$ 600.00
Balance, December 31, 1959			<u>948.50</u>	\$ 948.50

Margaret Bakeman Wing Memorial Award Fund
 (9 Shares American Tel. & Tel. Co. \$ 465.00)
 (Melrose Savings Bank 132.20)

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$	130.23	
Income		30.97	
Paid School Department			\$ 25.00
Balance, December 31, 1959		<u>161.20</u>	\$ 161.20

WELFARE FUNDS:

Andrew Burnett Memorial Fund
 (Melrose Savings Bank \$ 2,000.00)

Income received	\$	67.50	
Paid, City of Melrose			\$ 67.50
	\$	<u>67.50</u>	\$ 67.50

A.C. Marie Currier Fund

Amount in fund, December 31, 1959				\$ 24,538.39
Securities:				
N.Y. Central & Hudson R.R.	Oct. 2013	4-1/2	\$ 2,000.00	
U.S. Treasury Notes	Aug. 1964	5	10,000.00	
Virginia Elec. & Power Co.	Oct. 1986	4-1/8	5,000.00	
1st Natl. Bank of Boston	19 Shares		1,067.00	
Charlestown Savings Bank			619.77	
Eliot Savings Bank			647.01	
Malden Savings Bank			829.98	
Melrose Savings Bank			<u>4,374.63</u>	\$ 24,538.39

Income Account

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$	218.50	
Income received		935.45	
Paid, City of Melrose			\$ 775.00
Melrose Trust Co. Box rent			5.00
Balance, December 31, 1959		<u>1,153.95</u>	\$ 1,153.95

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Coyle Perpetual Flower Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$500.00)

Request November 27, 1959 -- No income 00.00

Oscar F. Frost Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$1184.63)

Income received	\$ 39.96	
Paid, City of Melrose	\$ 39.96	\$ 39.96
		\$ 39.96

Wyoming Cemetery Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$3419.25)

Income received	\$ 115.39	
Paid, City of Melrose	\$ 115.39	\$ 115.39
		\$ 115.39

LIBRARY FUNDS:

William Bailey Library Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$2500.00)

Income received	\$ 84.38	
Paid, City of Melrose	\$ 84.38	\$ 84.38
		\$ 84.38

William Emerson Barrett Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 75.00)

Income received	\$ 2.53	
Paid, City of Melrose	\$ 2.53	\$ 2.53
		\$ 2.53

Horatio Nelson Perkins Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 500.00)

Income received	\$ 16.88	
Paid, City of Melrose	\$ 16.88	\$ 16.88
		\$ 16.88

MEMORIAL BUILDING:

John C. F. Slayton Organ Fund
(\$10,000 U.S. Treasury Bonds 4s Feb. 15, 1980)

Income received	\$ 400.00	
Paid, John C.F. Slayton Fund	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
		\$ 400.00

PARK FUNDS:

Sarah E. Chever Fund
(Sewall Woods Park)
(Melrose Savings Bank \$1500.00)

Income received	\$ 50.63	
Paid, City of Melrose	\$ 50.63	\$ 50.63
		\$ 50.63

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

SCHOOL FUNDS:Adelaide Colburn Memorial Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 6000.00)

Income received	\$ 202.50	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 202.50
	\$ 202.50	\$ 202.50

Community Civics Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 50.00)

Income received	\$ 1.69	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 1.69
	\$ 1.69	\$ 1.69

Sarah E. Fitch Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 221.95)

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$ 214.65	
Income received	7.30	
Balance, December 31, 1959		\$ 221.95
	\$ 221.95	\$ 221.95

Victor A. & Nellie L. Friend Fund
(\$5,000 U.S. Treasury Bonds 4s Feb. 15, 1980)
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 162.22)

Balance, May 1, 1959	\$5,000.00	
Income received	162.22	
Balance, December 31, 1959		\$5,162.22
	\$5,162.22	\$5,162.22

Levi S. Gould Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$1,000.00)

Income received	\$ 33.75	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 33.75
	\$ 33.75	\$ 33.75

Norman Hesseltine Fund
(Melrose Savings Bank \$ 100.00)

Income received	\$ 3.38	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 3.38
	\$ 3.38	\$ 3.38

Omicron Delta Scholarship Fund
(112 Shares Eaton & Howard Balance Fund \$2,417.81)
(245 Shares Massachusetts Investment Tr. 2,895.80)
(Melrose Savings Bank 182.38)
5,495.99

Balance of Income, January 1, 1959	\$ 152.42	
Income received	231.63	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 201.67
Balance, December 31, 1959		182.38
	\$ 384.05	\$ 384.05

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

George Emerson Fund
 (U.S. Treasury Notes 5s Aug. 1964 \$ 15,000.00)
 (Melrose Savings Bank 7,267.78)

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$ 19,467.50	
Income from George Emerson Estate	2,662.04	
Income received	399.92	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 261.68
Balance, December 31, 1959		<u>22,267.78</u>
	<u>\$ 22,529.46</u>	<u>\$ 22,529.46</u>

OTHER FUNDS:

Sale of Lots & Graves
 (Melrose Savings Bank \$ 23,207.04)

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$ 18,178.01	
Collections	6,043.00	
Interest	686.03	
Paid, City of Melrose		\$ 1,700.00
Balance, December 31, 1959		<u>23,207.04</u>
	<u>\$ 24,907.04</u>	<u>\$24,907.04</u>

Stabilization Fund
 (Melrose Savings Bank \$ 70,660.20)

Balance, January 1, 1959	346.68	
Received from City of Melrose	69,691.93	
Income	621.59	
Balance, December 31, 1959		<u>\$70,660.20</u>
	<u>\$ 70,660.20</u>	<u>\$70,660.20</u>

200th Anniversary Town of Melrose
 (Melrose Savings Bank \$ 66.02)

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$ 63.88	
Income received	2.14	
Balance, December 31, 1959		<u>\$ 66.02</u>
	<u>\$ 66.02</u>	<u>\$ 66.02</u>

Municipal Indebtedness

Balance, January 1, 1959	240,000.00	
Bonds Issued	1,300,000.00	
Bonds paid 1959		\$ 120,000.00
Balance due 1960		<u>1420,000.00</u>
	<u>\$1,540,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,540,000.00</u>

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

RECEIPTS OF CITY COLLECTOR

TAXES:	1957	Poll	\$	14.00	
		Personal		89.70	
		Real Estate		<u>407.82</u>	\$ 511.52
	1958	Poll		50.00	
		Personal		4,718.68	
		Real Estate		<u>48,388.11</u>	53,156.79
	1959	Poll		14,298.00	
		Personal		238,249.16	
		Real Estate		<u>3,067,392.95</u>	3,319,940.11
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:					
	1956			42.29	
	1957			625.18	
	1958			29,210.23	
	1959			<u>367,427.59</u>	397,305.29
APPORTIONED SEWER:					
	1958	(added to taxes)		673.56	
	1959	(added to taxes)		12,154.40	
	1959	(paid in advance)		<u>3,817.02</u>	16,644.98
APPORTIONED SIDEWALK:					
	1958	(added to taxes)		73.25	
	1959	(added to taxes)		2,849.95	
	1959	(paid in advance)		<u>443.00</u>	3,366.20
APPORTIONED STREET:					
	1957	(added to taxes)		21.52	
	1958	(added to taxes)		468.43	
	1959	(added to taxes)		15,950.47	
	1959	(paid in advance)		<u>11,077.28</u>	27,517.70
WATER:					
	1958	(added to taxes)		601.36	
	1959	(added to taxes)		<u>11,613.79</u>	12,215.15
WATER RATES GENERAL: 191,967.04					
FARM ANIMAL EXCISE: 10.20					
COMMITTED INTEREST:					
	1957			6.35	
	1958			470.98	
	1959			<u>12,835.52</u>	13,312.85
GENERAL INTEREST:					
		Taxes		1,672.98	
		Motor Vehicle Excise		539.47	
		Assessments		<u>37.24</u>	2,249.69
COLLECTOR'S RECEIPTS: 1,874.00					
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERTIFICATES: 1,578.00					
BETTERMENT RELEASES: 43.00					

CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

DEPARTMENTAL - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Estate of Deceased Persons:	\$	1,696.77
Health Dept. - Tuberculosis:		1,397.42
Memorial Building - Rental:		3,328.80
Police Dept. - Ambulance:		2,667.50

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

Aid to Dependent Children	\$	13,101.61	
Disability Assistance Adm.		19,594.20	
General Relief		5,443.43	
Old Age Assistance		<u>211,327.68</u>	249,466.92

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Care of Trees	1,862.46	
City Hall Rental	600.00	
Driveway Deposit	141.56	
Guarantee Deposit	80.00	
Highway Repair	107.73	
Hydrant Rental	11,440.00	
Individual Walks	932.35	
Private Sewer	3,005.65	
Public Works Misc.	432.59	
Water Inside Service	<u>1,123.93</u>	19,726.27

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

Rental	505.43	
Tuition	<u>125.00</u>	630.43

TREASURER'S MISCELLANEOUS:

27.00

VETERAN'S BENEFITS & SERVICE:

14,869.39

WIRE DEPARTMENT:

63.72

\$4,335,566.74

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the annual report of the Melrose Fire Department for the year 1959.

Organization

The fire department consists of four companies.

Engine Company #1
Engine Company #2(Quad)
Engine Company #3
Aerial Ladder #1

Personnel

Chief of Department
5 - Captains
4 - Lieutenants
1 - Acting Master Mechanic
43 - Privates

Equipment

Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine Installed 1958
Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine Installed 1946
Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine Installed 1946
Maxim - 750 gal. pumping engine (Quad) Installed 1953
Peter - Pirsch Aerial Ladder Installed 1935
Dodge Rescue Truck Installed 1956
Ford $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pick-up truck Installed 1954
Willys brush fire truck Installed 1958
Dodge Chief's car Installed 1959
Boat rescue unit fully equipped
Mack Service Rescue Truck Auxiliary
American La France 750 gal. pumping engine Auxiliary
Trailer hose wagon Auxiliary
Trailer lighting plant Auxiliary
All apparatus fully equipped with emergency and fire fighting tools.

Hose

Number of feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " hose 10,150
Number of feet of $1\frac{1}{2}$ " hose 7,300
Number of feet of booster hose 2,600
Number of feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " dump hose 50
Number of feet of $1\frac{1}{2}$ " dump hose 50
All hose tested at 200 pounds pressure

Hose condemned 1959

Number of feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " hose 700
Number of feet of $1\frac{1}{2}$ " hose 250

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Special Work 1959

Auto accidents	13
Auto lockouts	12
Auto fires	50
Awning fires	3
Brush fires	106
Cat in tree	10
Chimney fires	13
Dump fires	32
Electric trouble	46
Elevator accident	1
Factory fire	4
Flodded cellars	7
False alarms	44
Gas leak	15
Gasoline leak	9
Gasoline torch	1
Garage fire	2
House fire	20
House lockout	43
Incinerator fires	12
Investigation	16
Lumber yard fire	1
Man buried in ditch	1
Man caught in conveyor	1
Mollasses spill	1
Motor fire	15
Moved patient to hospital	1
Oil leak	9
Oil burner	34
Oil in street	2
Oven fire	22
Overheated boiler	3
Resuscitator & Inhalator	19
Rubbish	39
Refrigerator leak	7
Sprinkler leak	4
Street bomb	8
T.V. fire	5
Washing machine	8
Water heater	5
Water leak	19
Wires down	8

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Alarms and Special Calls

Total number of bell alarms	222
Total number of still alarms	280
Total number of emergency calls	219
Total number of false alarms	44
Apparatus called out of the city.....	55

Apparatus called out of the city

Malden	33
Wakefield	13
Stoneham	7
Saugus	1
Reading	1

Mutual Aid Calls to Melrose

Malden	33
Wakefield	13
Stoneham	4

Inspections

Number of Buildings	410
Number of oil burner	395
Number of tank	90
Number of paint, varnish, etc.	68
Number of liquid gas	26
Number of blasting	91
Number of garage	74
Number of incinerator and burning	81

Permits Granted

Storage of oil	211
Class A inflammables	6
Explosives for blasting	31
Liquid - Bottled gas	7

Extinguishers Refilled

Soda & Acid	238
Foamite	7
Carbon tetrachloride	14

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Equipment Used

Numbr of feet of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch hose laid	15,450
Number of feet of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch hose laid	6,550
Number of feet of ladders raised	1,642
Number of covers used	19
Number of pounds of CO2 used	155
Number of hours lighting plant used	31
Resuscitator - Inhalator used	2
Number of tanks of oxygen used	17
Gas masks	4
Red cross heart mask	4
Smoke ejector	22
Pounds of oil dry	1,300
Portable pumps hours used	15
Total pumping hours of apparatus	37
Scott air packs	5
Feet of wire used	1,900
Stretcher	3
Gas indicator	6
Lights	10
Refrigerator dolly	2
Tank kits	33
Door opener	20

Fire Loss Buildings & Contents

Number of Buildings Damaged	31
Value of Buildings	139,500.00
Insurance on Buildings	469,900.00
Loss on Buildings	93,937.00
Insurance paid on Buildings	93,523.00
Value of Contents	664,000.00
Insurance on Contents	766,000.00
Loss on Contents	88,550.00
Insurance paid on Contents	82,550.00
Total fire loss- Buildings & Contents	182,072.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Prevention Program

Fire prevention, as always, is well planned and efficiently carried out throughout the year. This year through the combined efforts of the Chamber of Commerce and the Fire Department several ideas were incorporated. On January 2, 1960, the bonfire of Christmas trees at Ell Pond stressed very emphatically to the several hundreds attending the need for fire prevention during the festive season. As in the past, lectures and demonstrations of fire prevention were given not only in the school but also in different fraternal and industrial organizations as well. Fire is a necessary evil but through fire prevention programs many persons can learn to use it and control it.

Civil Defense Program

Civil Defense Auxiliary Fire Department again this year has augmented the regular department during several occasions. The greatest of these was the Deering Lumber Yard Fire when the men put in over 93 man hours. Many other services were rendered to the citizens of Melrose. Practice has been maintained on rescue operations and use of the resuscitator. Their untiring efforts have given the people of this city a valuable asset. Needless to say, the Auxiliary Fire Department has my sincere appreciation and, I am sure, that of the Director of Civil Defense, Mr. Robert Wilson. We both feel justly proud of this organization.

Deering Lumber Fire

On September 29, 1959 at 5:13 p.m. box 314 was received at fire alarm headquarters. This alarm was sounded for a fire at Deering Lumber Yard. On arrival, the fire was of such magnitude that a general alarm was sounded. Many homes in the district were endangered by flying embers and all families in the immediate area were evacuated. Although fire was mostly confined to the lumber yard, three homes adjacent to the yard were damaged by fire. Emergency assistance was asked over the police teletype and the following communities beyond mutual aid responded: Medford, Lynn, Belmont, Lynnfield, Watertown, Danvers, Reading, Burlington, Lexington, Boston, No. Reading, Everett, Arlington, Saugus, Newton, Haverhill, Peabody, Andover, Winchester, Woburn, and Beverly. The loss was over \$200,000.

Conclusion

I desire to express my thanks and appreciation to his Honor, the Mayor, to the Honorable Board of Aldermen, and to all other departments for their assistance in all matters pertaining to the Fire Department. To the officers and men of the department who rendered efficient service at all hours of the day and night, I wish to extend my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidney C. Field

Chief of the Department

REPORT OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
of the City of Melrose

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted the Report of the Law Department of its doings during the calendar year 1959.

The matter of preparing opinions requested by the several departments of the City has been routine.

Conferences with the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen and the Committees of the Board have been attended.

There were conferences with the School Committee, and preparation for and defense in Court of an action of contract and a petition for a writ of certiorari.

The commonplace claims and suits for the recovery of damages alleged to have been caused by defects in public ways have been compromised or defended.

Two actions, tried together, for the recovery of damages claimed to have been sustained by the flooding of premises alleged to have been occasioned by improper actions on the part of the City or its agents were defended.

Suits have been brought and recovery had for money advanced to welfare recipients; and an action against a developer and its bondsman for failure to comply with conditions imposed by the Planning Board was brought and successfully completed.

An action brought against the City for recovery of damages for injury sustained by reason of the alleged negligence of the employees of the Cemetery Department was successfully defended.

A suit in equity in the Superior Court, appealing a decision of the Board of Appeals was argued on demurrer and from the decree sustaining the demurrer, appeal to the Supreme Judicial Court was taken and is there pending.

As has been the invariable experience of this Department, it has received complete, cheerful, and competent cooperation from the heads of the City Departments and their employees.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Van Allen Thomason

City Solicitor

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

To His Honor the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Memorial Building herewith submit their Annual Report for the year 1959.

During this year the building was used extensively, and many organizations find its facilities and location convenience are most worthwhile, especially since the parking area adjacent to the building has been enlarged for many more autos than previously. Even with this increased use, the Trustees find the building is in better condition, and feel that the citizens desire to use this edifice more often than in many previous years.

Interiorly, all rooms and areas needing any repairs or re-decoration have been thoroughly cared for, including repairs to the auditorium seat units, where moving so often causes some loosening of fittings or some breakage of cast parts.

Exteriorly, some work has been done to doors, such as re-finishing and varnishing, to protect against winter weather, and with particular mention of the huge doors on the front of the building. Unless this work is maintained periodically, there is an age deterioration to the woodwork itself, thus the preservation is important to the main building structures.

One important factor this year was the purchase of new doors (three double sets) for the North Lobby Entrance to the building. This entrance does not have the use that the Southern one has, but it is a required exit or entrance to the building in accordance with the State Safety Laws for public buildings. The Trustees hope to have these new doors completely installed in the early part of 1960, since the old ones are in very poor condition regarding locking and weather deterioration, with special note that they cannot be locked properly to prevent entrance to the building when not rented or when the custodian is off duty.

During the year much repair work has been done to the Slayton Memorial Organ, along with general tuning at intervals during the active season. Several noted organists have played on this beautiful organ with great enthusiasm. It needs to be used often during the year for its continued good-function, and is only allowed to be used by competent and qualified organists. At present the organ is in very good condition, although it shows the wear of years since it was installed in 1919, some forty years ago.

MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

It was necessary during the Spring and Fall periods to have some minor roof repairs done to correct several roof leaks, which were mostly due to driving rains. Many similar areas, which used to show leak damage in prior years, have been eliminated by the periodic yearly masonry-pointing program which the Trustees have undertaken during the past several years to catch up on some most worthwhile structure protection projects.

In conclusion, the Trustees are wholehearted in their desire to maintain and preserve this Memorial edifice for the benefit of our citizens, both during each year as well as for future generations.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

SALARIES AND WAGES

Appropriated	\$ 6234.60
Expended	<u>6072.45</u>
Balance	\$ 162.15

OTHER EXPENSES

Appropriated	\$ 6000.00
Expended	<u>4391.88</u>
Balance	\$ 1608.12

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Appropriated	\$ 2500.00
Expended	<u>1129.34</u>
Balance	\$ 1370.66

Respectfully submitted

TRUSTEES OF THE MEMORIAL BUILDING

Harold L. Morgan Chairman

REPORT OF THE PARK DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We hereby submit the 50th Annual Report of the Park Department for the year '59.

The report comprises a detailed report of the Superintendent, Francis J. Meehan and a financial statement of the year.

The Park Commission are happy to report this year as being a profitable one with the Mount Hood Memorial Park Receipts nearly six thousand dollars over the previous year of '58.

The unusual depth of frost in the ground this winter provided a total of 496 days of skating for all areas ; 18 days - coasting and 9 sessions - that the Ski Tow was operated.

Work was continued enlarging the Conant Playground, a fence, second Little League diamond and Backstop were erected.

At the Messenger's Meadow Playground a new Softball diamond, Backstop and Canopy were installed.

One swing set was relocated at the Lebanon Playground.

All new equipment was purchased and set up at the former Gooch School location and thoroughly enjoyed by all the youngsters in this neighborhood.

Two Pee Wee football areas were laid out on the East side of the Parkway and at the Lincoln Playground.

In fact, all play areas were well patronized throughout the summer months.

At Mount Hood the usual renovation work. Four new rubber mats and an electric bubbler were purchased for the men's Locker room.

The tar work between the Tees and Greens was continued - eliminating labor as well as affording more enjoyment for the golfers that use Caddy Carts.

A special Tee Mat was built on the 10th Tee this fall to help save the turf. It is planned to add more next year.

PARK DEPARTMENT

The Members of the Commission take this opportunity to express their appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, for their hearty co-operation.

The Superintendent's co-operation and members of the department during the year's activities has been in the best interests of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

For The

Melrose Park Commission

H. W. Poole
Chairman

PARK DEPARTMENT

Mr. Harold W. Poole, Chairman
and Members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to the Park Commission my Annual Report for the year '59.

- 1959 ANNUAL REPORT -

The past winter or from December 1958 through March was the coldest since 1947-48 yet had the lowest snowfall accumulation since 1954-55.

During the three months from December through February Boston had 37 days in which the temperature failed to get above freezing. Yet the temperature went to zero only once and did not go below zero at all - December, usually the warmest of the three months, was the coldest. In fact, it was the coldest December in 41 years and had a record equalling number of consecutive days with below freezing temperatures. However, all three months were colder than normal, January by a mere three-tenths of a degree and February by 2.5 degrees.

The winter total of 19.5 inches of snow was the lowest since the 17.7 inches of 1954-55.

During the month of January the ground was bare most of the month. Total snow was only 4.1 inches and the greatest depth on the ground at any time was just two inches. Most of January's precipitation occurred as rain during the milder weather. The temperature went as high as 62 degrees on the 22nd.

One feature of February's weather was the unusual depth of the frost in the ground. Some areas frost penetrated to a depth of five feet.

A snowstorm that started in the early afternoon of February 23rd left 5.1 inches.

March was the snowiest month of the winter, with 14.5 inches, about twice the normal March snowfall. February was runner-up with 10.7 inches.

It is interesting to note that during 1959 the temperature did not reach 100 degrees and did not get below zero.

The highest reading was 96 degrees on June 10th and the lowest was exactly zero on February 9th.

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June was one of the wettest in history with a total of 8.62 inches of rain, and only 5 days of sunshine - normal June rainfall is 3.25 inches.

July had a total of 8.12 inches of rain with rain falling on 26 of the last 51 days.

Another item of interest was the unusually long hot spell in August from the 12th through the 21st. Temperatures of 90 degrees or higher were reported on eight of these 10 days.

The total number of skating days etc., is shown in the following table:-

- SKATING -

Ell Pond	35	Days
Ell Pond Rink	52	Days
Common Playground Area	56	Days
Conant Playground Area	55	Days
Lebanon Playground Area	55	Days
Lincoln Playground Area	56	Days
Messenger's Playground Area	53	Days
Pond No. 1 Mt. Hood	47	Days
Pond No. 2 Mt. Hood	44	Days
Pond No. 3 Mt. Hood	43	Days

- COASTING -

No. 1 Fairway - Mt. Hood 18 Days

- SKI TOW -

Mt. Hood - (4 after)-(5 Eves)..... 9 Sessions

- PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS -

Work was continued enlarging Conant Road Playground a fence second Little League diamond and Backstop were erected.

A new Softball diamond, Backstop and Canopy was put in at the Messenger's Meadow Playground.

Tennis Courts at Common were opened for play on April 7th and at the Lincoln on the 16th.

The ice did not break up on the pond until March 27th this year and heavy frost in the ground until April 5th so prevented getting an earlier start on cleaning up the Parks, Playgrounds, etc., throughout the City.

Relocated one swing equipment set at Lebanon Playground.

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Gooch Playground was graded, all new Playground equipment purchased and installed. This included a Climb-A-Round one Kindergarten set, one large Swing set, Slide, See-Saw, Sand box, Bubbler and Basketball standard.

Tennis Courts and play areas were all very well patronized throughout the summer season.

The Easter Sunrise Service was held at the Ell Pond Knoll this year - formerly held at the Slayton Memorial Tower.

Laid out two Pee Wee football areas on the East side of the Parkway and at the Lincoln Playground.

Late this fall cut back hedge on Main Street at Ell Pond. Also had the three Tennis Courts on the Common Playground resurfaced by the Trimount Bituminous Products Company. The East end of the Ell Pond Storage Building recovered with tar and sand

- ATHLETIC FIELD AND FIELD HOUSE -

Three floodlights were purchased to light the Athletic Field for football practise.

Bleachers on South side of the field painted.

Usual fall work had to be postponed until the addition to the High School is completed when considerable work will be made necessary in order to get the field ready for use next fall.

Relocated High Jumping Pit with a 75 foot runway of cinders due to construction of the new High School gymnasium.

- CLUBHOUSE -

A new electric Bubbler was put in the men's locker room.

The usual renovating by painting ceiling and the walls in kitchen and toilet rooms including refinishing the cement floors.

Purchased 4 new pneumatic mats to replace old rubber matting in the section of the men's locker room.

The "George W. Rogers Memorial Hall" had a total of 41 social gatherings consisting of dances, wedding receptions, etc.,

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- GOLF COURSE -

The Golf Course was opened for play on the 4th of April. Total number of rounds of Golf played were 65,797 against 53,703 in '58.

The new electric Motor and Pump in the No. 1 Pump House has worked out fine, very efficient giving water necessary to the high elevations at Mount Hood.

Many lengths of pipe had to be replaced and repaired over the entire Golf Course during our very, cold winter.

Mount Hood M.G.A. Tournament was held on June 6th.

A new 28 inch Springfield Lawn Sweeper was bought to clear leaves from the Greens, and the Greens Mower replaced.

The tar work was continued between Tees and Greens, or from (1) 10th Green - 11th Tee, (2) 8th Green - 9th Tee, (3) 11th Green - 12th Tee, (4) Road - 1st Tee, (5) 5th Green - 6th Tee, (6) 6th Tee - 6th Fairway, (7) 9th Tee - Fairway and (8) a walk around the ticket booth.

Late this fall one special 10 X 4 Tee Mat was built on the 10th Tee to relieve heavy traffic on the turf. Many favorable comments were received, it is planned to install 10 More Mats next year.

Considerable damage was done to the 4th Fairway when two vehicles got stuck in the low area on the Fairway, adjacent to Long Pond. This area was repaired and renovated, cost for the damage amounting to \$212.40 is to be paid for by the driver of the car.

- MOUNT HOOD PARK -

The Ponds continue to be very much enjoyed by the boys especially for fishing.

Skating, skiing and coasting areas all were well patronized whenever the facilities were available.

Throngs gathered at the Slayton Memorial Tower in the early morning hours of October 8th to view the eclipse. However, mist and clouds blotted out both celestial bodies and all were disappointed.

To try to retard some of the destruction the gate on the Tower road was locked at 8 P.M. during the summer and at 4:30 PM in the winter to keep the cars out,

The year '59 was a profitable one. Receipts approximately \$6,000 over the previous year.

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- SOURCE OF REVENUE -

	-1958-	-1959-
Subscriptions.....	\$12,437.50	\$ 7,155.00
Daily Fees	22,818.85 -	34,461.50
Locker Rentals.....	720.00 -	305.00
Transient Lockers, Soap and Towels.....	413.15 -	280.60
"Geo. W. Rogers Memorial Hall"-Rentals...	2,314.40 -	2,510.75
Fireplace Permits	44.50 -	43.50
Ski Tow and Concessions	988.00 -	815.25
Misc., Telephone, Electricity, Etc.....	236.74 -	293.21
	\$39,973.14	\$45,864.81

- CONCLUSION -

In Conclusion, I want to express my appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor, to the Honorable Board of Aldermen the Park Commission and heads of all City Departments for the co-operation during the past year.

I further wish to commend the employees of this Department for the performance of their duties and interest shown.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis Muehan
Superintendent of Parks

PARK DEPARTMENT

- FINANCIAL STATEMENT -

General Administration - Salaries and Wages

Appropriation	\$ 13,853.00
Appropriation Transfer from, "Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts"	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$ 18,853.00

Expenditures:-

Payrolls.....	\$ 18,832.61
Unexpended Balance ...	<u>\$ 20.39</u>

General Administration - Other Expenses

Appropriation.....	\$ 900.00
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Expenditures:-

Printing.....	\$ 63.09
Postage	43.00
Telephone	248.37
Laundry	1.48
Office Supplies	171.94
Periodicals and Subscriptions.....	14.75
Dues.....	25.00
Office Machines	281.77
	<u>\$ 849.60</u>
Unexpended Balance ...	<u>\$ 50.40</u>

Athletic Field & Field House - Maintenance & Operation

Appropriation.....	\$ 3,000.00
Transferred to, "All Other Expenses"	<u>275.00</u>
	\$ 2,725.00

Expenditures:-

Express	\$ 12.76
Electricity	107.70
Repairs and Maintenance Buildings	138.20
Repairs and Maintenance Misc.,.....	4.60
Unclassified - Water	51.64
Fuel	241.77
Automotive Parts and Accessories	21.55
Cleaning and Supplies	20.73
Paint and Paint Supplies.....	22.84
Electrical Supplies	191.72
Small Tools	202.35
Hardware	43.00
Athletic Supplies	75.50
Agricultural and Botanical Supplies	106.00
Lumber	222.92
	<u>\$ 1,463.28</u>
Unexpended Balance ..	<u>\$ 1,261.72</u>

Athletic Field and Field House - Salaries & Wages

Appropriation	\$ 5,590.00
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Expenditures:-

Payrolls	\$ 5,164.26
Unexpended Balance..	<u>\$ 425.74</u>

PARK DEPARTMENT

All Other Expenses

Appropriation	\$ 7,000.00
Transferred from, "Athletic Field and Field House - Maint. & Oper"....	275.00
	<u>\$ 7,275.00</u>

Expenditures:-

Printing	\$ 121.47
Postage	1.10
Electricity	156.02
Hire Equipment	29.59
Welding	129.98
Repair Motor Vehicles	257.80
Repair and Maintenance - Buildings	108.80
Repair and Maintenance - Miscellaneous	555.10
Unclassified - Water	149.57
Fuel	448.99
Gas, Oil, Grease and Anti-freeze	476.78
Tires and Tubes	91.98
Batteries	48.37
Automobile Parts and Accessories	642.69
Cleaning Supplies	19.56
Paint and Paint Supplies	15.69
Electrical Supplies	.54
Small Tools	421.63
Hardware	84.57
Subscriptions	7.50
Recreational Supplies	750.81
Sand and Loam	642.15
Agricultural and Botanical Supplies	137.39
Clothing	65.76
Cement	4.35
Lumber	308.68
Meeting Expenses	3.50
Insurance Automobile	440.25
Landscaping - Fencing	275.00
Recreational	490.86
	<u>\$ 6,886.48</u>

Unexpended Balance	<u>\$ 388.52</u>
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Athletic Field - Renovate Track

Balance	\$ 1,000.00
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Same Carried to 1960

Christmas Lighting

Appropriation	\$ 200.00
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Salaries and Supplies	\$ 182.93
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Unexpended Balance	<u>\$ 17.07</u>
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All Other Salaries and Wages

Appropriation	\$ 33,480.00
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Expenditures:-

Payrolls	\$ 30,179.94
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Unexpended Balance	<u>\$ 3,300.06</u>
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Golf Maintenance and Operation

Appropriation Transfer from, "Mt. Hood Memorial Golf Course" \$ 31,625.00

Expenditures:-

Salaries and Wages	\$ 21,916.92
Bonds and Insurance	40.00
Printing and Advertising	119.60
Golf Supplies	998.80
Automotive and Insurance	673.05
Tools, Supplies and Repairs	601.89
Fertilizer and Fungicides	367.00
Loam, Sand, Etc.,.....	56.25
Laundry, Sand, Etc.,.....	228.50
Repairs Buildings, Shelters, Etc.,.....	48.84
Water and Service	41.40
Equipment Rentals	39.97
Tar Ramps	790.00
Electricity	101.67
Replace Power Green Mower	390.00
Tee	20.00

\$ 26,433.89

Balance Revert to, "Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts" \$ 5,191.11

Holidays - Labor Vacations

Appropriation \$ 3,820.00

Expenditures:-

Payrolls	\$ 3,474.98
Unexpended Balance	<u>\$ 345.02</u>

New Equipment

Appropriation \$ 3,500.00

Expenditures:-

New Playground Equipment - Gooch Playground	\$ 936.97
Resurface - Common Tennis Courts	701.78
	<u>\$ 1,638.75</u>
Balance to 1960	<u>\$ 1,861.25</u>

Out-of-State Travel

Appropriation \$ 150.00

Expenditures.....	\$ 149.66
Unexpended Balance	<u>\$ 0.34</u>

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Operation Recreation Building

Appropriation Transfer from, "Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts"..... \$ 8,255.00

Expenditures:-

Salaries and Wages	\$ 5,390.15
Fuel Oil and Services.....	788.86
Printing and Advertising.....	27.10
Janitor and Building Supplies.....	183.64
Water and Service.....	72.60
Electricity.....	244.50
Electric Bubbler - Men's Locker Room.....	259.93
Repairs.....	97.12
New Rubber Mats - Men's Locker Room.....	133.48
	<u>\$ 7,197.38</u>

Balance Revert to, "Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts"..... \$ 1,057.62

Ski Tow - Maintenance and Operation

Appropriation Transfer from, "Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts"..... \$ 2,050.00

Expenditures:-

Salaries.....	\$ 377.40
Supplies and Repairs.....	77.83
	<u>\$ 455.23</u>

Balance Revert to, " Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts"..... \$ 1,594.77

Tar Roads and Walks - Mount Hood Park

Appropriation..... \$ 1,000.00

Expenditures..... \$ 53.90

Balance to 1960 \$ 946.10

PARK DEPARTMENT

Mr. Harold W. Poole, Chairman
and Members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners

Gentlemen:-

I hereby submit to the Park Commission my Annual Report for the year 1959.

- 1959 ANNUAL REPORT -

For the first time in its history, Melrose had a full-time Recreation Director working throughout the year 1959.

Every possible effort was made during the year to expand the program of activities within the limits of the budget appropriation, and further expansion is blue-printed for 1960.

However, any extensive expansion of indoor activities, especially, is dependent upon the provision of increased facilities, since all now available for use are being taxed to near capacity. It is hoped, therefore, that more can be provided in the immediate future.

Development of the Ell Pond area appears to have possibilities for needed increase in facilities for outdoor activities.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to His Honor Mayor Lloyd, the Honorable Aldermen, members of the Park Commission, Public Service Departments, and the many interested citizens who gave their time and effort in the promotion of recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elbert P. Fletcher

Director of Recreation

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- RECREATION ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS FOR 1959 -

1. Boys' Inter-Church Basketball League.
2. Girls' Inter-Church Basketball League.
3. Boys' Pee Wee and Bantam Ice Hockey League.
4. Melrose Hickory Hawk's ski classes.
5. Adult indoor archery classes.
6. Junior indoor archery classes.
7. Indoor ice skating program, Hallowe'en and Christmas party.
8. Melrose Community Players.
9. Summer playground season (Male and female instructor on each of the six playgrounds. These playground supervisors are qualified to teach most active and passive games; provide interesting daily programs for all age children. More equipment is being provided to give your youngster a wider variety in his choice of recreation.)
10. Tennis program of instruction.
11. Summer daily handcraft program at Coolidge School.
12. Operation of buses to and from the M.D.C. Pool in Stoneham.
13. Men's Municipal Softball League.
14. Adult and Junior outdoor archery program.
15. Pee Wee and Bantam contact football.
16. July 4th, and Halloween observance.
17. Doll carriage, bicycle, and costume parade.
18. Pet Show.
19. Junior Stamp Club.
20. Women's Bowling League.
21. Stagemobile (Staged by Boston Children's Theater)
22. Adult Bridge Club.

- PROPOSED -

1. Tennis Instructor.
2. Female Instructor for Playground on site of former Gooch School.
3. Senior Citizen's Club.
4. Playground Bowling League.

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- STUDY OF PLAYGROUND ATTENDANCE -

<u>PLAYGROUND</u>	<u>TOTAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>DAILY AVERAGE</u>
Common	8,647	205.8
Conant	4,754	113.1
Hesseltine	4,060	96.6
Lebanon	3,028	72.0
Lincoln	4,781	113.8
Messenger's	4,350	103.6

- COMPARATIVE DAILY AVERAGES -

<u>PLAYGROUNDS</u>		<u>1957</u>		<u>1958</u>		<u>1959</u>
Common	1	155.7	1	180.2	1	205.8
Conant	4	81.7	5	82.8	3	113.1
Hesseltine	4	81.7	4	85.3	5	96.6
Lebanon	6	72.0	6	75.8	6	72.0
Lincoln	3	89.2	2	94.4	2	113.8
Messenger's	2	92.3	3	87.3	4	103.6

- HANDCRAFT SHOP ATTENDANCE -

	<u>1958</u>	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>Daily Average</u>
Handcraft Shop Total-2232		54.4	2623	59.3

- BUSES TO M.D.C. POOL - 1959 -

Daily Average	-	450 for forty-six days
Total Passengers	-	20,700
New Tags Issued	-	1957 - 949
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PARK DEPARTMENT

- FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1959 -

SALARIES & WAGES

Appropriated		\$7,046.00
Expenditures	\$7,044.83	
Balance	1.17	

OTHER EXPENSES

Appropriated		\$3,850.00
Expenditures	\$3,636.51	
Balance	213.49	

CELEBRATIONS

Appropriated		\$ 650.00
Expenditures	\$ 626.57	
Balance	23.43	

BUSES TO SWIMMING POOL

Appropriated		\$2,000.00
Expenditures	\$1,757.50	
Balance	242.50	

DIRECTOR'S OUT OF STATE TRAVEL

Appropriated		\$ 150.00
Expenditures	\$ 55.95	
Balance	94.05	

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Annual Report of the Personnel Board is hereby respectfully submitted.

The year 1959 was the eighth complete year for the Board in its administration of the Salary Plan. At the June meeting, Nicholas P. Flynn and Horace H. Feltham were re-elected Chairman and Clerk respectively. Kenneth I. Faulkner was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Frederick S. Nichols. The Board regrets the loss of the services of Robert F. Goodspeed who resigned during the year. Albert A. Vogt, Jr. completes the present membership. There is one vacancy.

Sixty-five Decisions were made by the Board during the year which included requests for Promotion, New Position, Change of Title, Starting rate above minimum, Personal Rate, Reclassification, as well as anniversary and six-months step rate increases recommended by Department Heads. Those Decisions requiring an amendment to the Revised Ordinances were submitted to the Board of Aldermen for ratification.

Mayor Lloyd met with the Personnel Board to discuss a Salary Increase for 1959. A survey of "bench mark" jobs by the Massachusetts Municipal Personnel Boards Association was received. A survey of maximum rates for Firefighters and Patrolmen was made which included thirty-eight communities. An 8% across-the-board increase was recommended by the Personnel Board. This was passed by the Board of Aldermen for all employees under the Salary Plan, effective July 1, 1959.

Mr. Vogt represented the Board at the Annual Seminar of the Massachusetts Municipal Personnel Boards Association and at the Governor's Conference held at the University of Massachusetts in June. The annual meeting of the MMPBA was attended by the Secretary, Gertrude Gilbert in October, at which time she was re-elected Treasurer of the organization. Data distributed by the MMPBA is of considerable interest to the Personnel Board.

With the presentation of this Report, the members wish to convey their appreciation to the Mayor, Board of Aldermen and Department Heads for their assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas P. Flynn

Nicholas P. Flynn, Chairman

REPORT OF PINE BANKS PARK

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As Superintendent of Pine Banks Park I herewith submit the following report of the year 1959.

Pine Banks Park was utilized by approximately 125,000 people during the year 1959. During the months of May, June, July, August September and October the demand for fire-places far exceeded the supply. Family groups, Church groups, Girl and Boy Scouts and many other organizations had their outings at these fire-places. This year again the parking created a very great problem, due to the lack of parking areas within the Park.

The lighted soft-ball field and the base-ball fields were in use every night from May until the end of September. Many nights these fields were used for double-headers. Both Malden and Melrose little leagues used the fields for their games. Melrose little league foot-ball teams used the field to play their games on.

Malden High School out-door track team used the Park to practice every afternoon during the fall. The course for the team covered the complete Park area. Also the girls of the Field Hockey Team used the base-ball fields for their games.

The Main Avenue flower beds were full of very colorful and beautiful flowers. All the flowers used in decorating the Park were grown from seed in the Park greenhouse. The Park employees transplanted more than 4000 plants from the greenhouse to the Main Avenue beds. The seeds selected for these beds were the types that would bloom all thru the summer, making a very attractive entrance to the Park.

May troops of Boy Scouts used the Park for the over-night camping out and for their merit badge tests. Both YMCA of Malden and Melrose held their day camp at the ball-fields. As usual the Malden Junior Police had their annual outing at the ball-fields and each boy was served with a box lunch.

During the month of November the Park suffered the loss of two of its' deer. On Monday November 16th when the Park foreman, Arthur Lander went to the pen to feed the deer he discovered that the baby deer had been taken from the pen some time during the night. On investigation there were no signs of how entry was made into the pen or just how the baby deer was taken out. The following Saturday, November 21st, Arthur Brewster arrived at the deer pen for feeding discovered another deer missing. This time it was "Scarface" the biggest deer who was missing. The time the deer-nappers had climbed into the pen, killed "Scarface" and then pulled up a section of the fencing and dragged the body down over the path to the duck pond where a car must have been waiting to take the deer away. Altho both the Malden and Melrose Police have investigated these crimes and the newspapers of Boston and Malden all have given much space to the stories there still has been no trace of either of the deer and no

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clues has to what really happened up on the hill. The following week-ends the Malden Police had men posted up by the deer-pen with no results.

The Malden Fire Department used the Park area for schooling and training their men in the use of fire-fighting equipment. The Melrose National Guard used the Park in the Spring of the year for their training program.

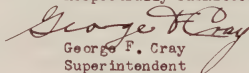
This year the Park employees resurfaced the Main Avenue from the front entrance to the ball-fields. Two of the little league base-ball fields and two of the soft-ball fields were rebuilt with new loam. The greenhouse was dismantled and completely rebuilt with new lumber.

Again this year the Park received many donations to it's zoo. We received the Brown University's foot-ball team's mascot, a brown bear cub. Due to the fact that here at Pine Banks Park we have no facilities for caring for a bear we turned it over to the Park Department of New Bedford, Mass. Many an Easter chicken, duck and bunny found a new home at the Park.

At Christmas time the Park was a brilliance of color with decorations of close to 3,000 lights. A sheep-pen with live sheep was a big attraction. A toy village and a life-size Nativity Scene was set-up on the embankment at the front of the Park. Santa Claus made his headquarters on the front lawn of the Park and between Sunday December 13th and Wednesday December 23rd he greeted more than 8,000 children and each child received a lolly-pop. The Auxiliary Police of Malden did a wonderful job of keeping the traffic moving out front and guiding the folks who came to see Santa across Main Street.

I wish to thank my Trustees, my employees the Malden and Melrose Fire and Police departments, all departments in both cities who helped in any way to make it possible for Pine Banks Park to be a favorite recreational center for all to enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,


George F. Cray
Superintendent

PINE BANKS PARK

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriations

City of Malden		
Salaries	\$11,965.00	
Sundry expenses	<u>3,650.00</u>	
		\$15,615.00

City of Melrose		
Salaries	\$11,965.45	
Sundry expenses	2,850.00	
Lighting Maintenance	300.00	
Travel	75.00	
Loam	200.00	
Road repairs	<u>300.00</u>	
		\$15,690.45

Total appropriations for both cities	\$31,305.45
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Expenditures

City of Malden		
Salaries	\$11,899.59	
Sundry expenses	<u>3,622.46</u>	
		\$15,522.05

City of Melrose		
Salaries	\$11,953.10	
Sundry expenses	2,822.52	
Travel	75.00	
Lighting Maintenance	297.71	
Loam	188.95	
Road repairs	<u>296.36</u>	
		\$15,633.64

Total expenditures for both cities	\$31,155.69
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Unexpended balances

City of Malden	\$ 92.95	
City of Melrose	<u>56.81</u>	<u>149.76</u>

Total expenditures and balances	\$31,305.45
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Dana F. Batting, Treasurer
 Board of Trustees, Pine Banks Park

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The members of the Planning Board feel that 1959 was a year of real accomplishment. It has been a busy year in carrying out its many legislative powers and duties, including long range planning and the preliminary preparation of a Master Plan Report.

The Planning & Renewal Associates of Cambridge was chosen, after interviewing representatives of several consulting firms, to do the expert planning and necessary details in connection with a comprehensive plan for the city. A contract was signed with this firm in July of this year to do the work at a cost of \$16,500.

A publicity program was initiated by the Board and a weekly column was prepared including questions and answers. This column was published in the Free Press to give the public some facts and information relative to the functions of a Planning Board, the procedures followed in compiling a Master Plan Report and a general outline of a city planning program.

The Board members have had several planning studies before them during the past year such as Tax Title Land, Public Library expansion, Housing Code and Apartment House Zoning. As all these studies are part of a Master Plan program they will be incorporated in the report that is now being prepared. Several subdivisions still in the process of completion have been part of the duties of the Board members in following the progress of each one and carrying out certain details in connection with them.

The Board endorsed an Application submitted by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Aldermen, requesting a grant from the Federal Government to start a redevelopment program. Mr. Jay J. Martin, Jr., Chairman of the Melrose Redevelopment Authority, has kept the Board informed of its progress.

The Board recommended to the Board of Aldermen certain changes in Chapter 25, of the Revised Ordinances of 1956. In section 21 relative to more effective Area Regulations pertaining to the number and location of buildings on one lot. The wording of Section 21-A clarifies the intent and purpose of the ordinance in issuing building permits. This amendment was passed in October.

A Public Hearing was held on December 28th by the Board relative to a recommendation proposing an ordinance to regulate the use of automotive type trailers for living or business purposes within the city.

Twelve regular meetings and many special meetings have been held by the Board during the year. A Public Hearing was held on January 26th relative to the Philip Circle subdivision and on May 25th regard-

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ing an amendment to Area Regulations.

At the regular meeting in March, Paul H. Messer was re-elected Chairman, Dr. Kenneth L. Maclachlan re-elected Vice Chairman and Robert S. Clark elected Clerk. Two members of the Board resigned, Mrs. Carole J. Geiger in March who moved to Wakefield and Dr. Maclachlan in April due to his profession demanding more of his time. The Board is most appreciative of their sincere and conscientious work as members of the Board.

Mr. Claude L. Hanley and Mr. Daniel F. Tully were appointed by the Mayor to fill these two vacancies. Mrs. Merion E. Hartzell was elected Vice Chairman to replace Dr. Maclachlan. Other members of the Board are John E. Buddington, Harry M. Brettell and John H. Lane.

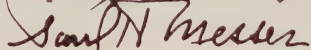
Mr. Messer, Mr. Buddington and Mrs. Hartzell were appointed by the Chairman as members authorized to sign Plans Not Requiring Planning Board Approval but subject to study and confirmation by a majority membership of the Board. We have had thirty-one such plans submitted for approval.

The Department of Commerce, Planning Division, of the Commonwealth and the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards organization have been most helpful throughout the year in keeping the Board informed on matters of legislation and planning.

The Chairman is particularly appreciative of the part played during the year by the Vice Chairman, Mrs. Merion E. Hartzell, who took over the Chairmanship duties so capably during my illness this year and the wonderful cooperation, help and advice of the Executive Secretary, Miss Lillian V. Macdonald.

The members of the Planning Board are grateful for the interest and cooperation of the City officials and Department heads who have been so helpful on matters pertaining to the Board's activities.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul H. Messer, Chairman
Melrose Planning Board

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 13, 1960

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
The Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2-39 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Ordinances, I respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Melrose Police Department for the Year ending December 31, 1959.

Number of duty calls	69,153
Number of telephone calls	6,209
Number of radio calls	2,693
Number of ambulance calls	931

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1959

Offenses against the person:

Assault and Battery	12 Males	0 Females
Rape	3 Males	0 Females
Assault and Battery dangerous weapon	1 Male	0 Females
Assault and Battery police officer	1 Male	0 Females
	<u>17 Males</u>	<u>0 Females</u>

Offenses against property:

Breaking and entering and larceny	4 Males	0 Females
Larceny	9 Males	0 Females
Using Motor Vehicle without authority	4 Males	1 Female
Damage to property	6 Males	0 Females
Receiving stolen property	1 Male	0 Females
Breaking and entering, attempt	1 Male	0 Females
Arson	5 Males	0 Females
Forgery and uttering	1 Male	0 Females
	<u>31 Males</u>	<u>1 Female</u>

Offenses against public order:

Drunkenness	27 Males	3 Females
Traffic violations	112 Males	31 Females
Motor Vehicle violations	63 Males	8 Females
Operating M. V. under the influence	3 Males	1 Female
Insane	9 Males	5 Females
Non-support	4 Males	0 Females
Vagrant	2 Males	0 Females
A.W.O.I. Military	3 Males	0 Females
Firearm Law violation	1 Male	0 Females
Violation of Probation	15 Males	0 Females
Stubborn Child	1 Male	1 Female

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Escaped prisoner	2 Males	1 Female
Lewdness	1 Male	0 Females
Disorderly conduct	3 Males	0 Females
Indecent Exposure	1 Male	0 Females
Runaway	0 Males	1 Female
Gaming, or being present at	7 Males	0 Females
Illegitimacy	1 Male	0 Females
	<u>255 Males</u>	<u>51 Females</u>
Arrests on Warrants		65
Arrests without Warrants		<u>316</u>
Total		381
Males		329
Females		52
Minors		16
Delinquents		26
Residents		228
Non-residents		153
Insane Males		9
Insane Females		5
In Court		292
Number of Cases		558
Assisted in Arrests		40
Accidents reported		459
Ambulance cases		931
Automobiles stopped and warned		174
Automobiles tagged		3530
Buildings found open		154
Cases investigated		2802
Defective streets and sidewalks		6
Defective hydrants and pipes		1
Defective wires		1
Disturbances suppressed		7
Dogs killed		4
Fire alarms attended		140
Fire alarms given		13
Fires extinguished without alarm		5
Lanterns hung in dangerous places		1
Letters delivered		1512
Lost children restored		25
Notices served		5
Sick and injured persons assisted		237
Street lights reported out		55
Street obstructions reported and removed		7
Summonses served		649
Visits to libraries		408
Water leaks reported		5
Traffic duty		16,856
Special messages		305
Extra duty		261

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report - Melrose Police Department

Dog bites	2
Dead animals	18
Vacant houses inspected	5,142
Banks inspected	5,967
Autos stolen	16
Autos recovered	26
Amount of property recovered in City	\$ 28,240.45
Amount of property stolen in City	22,637.00
Lost property returned to owner	32,407.00
Missing persons reported	4
Missing persons located	4

I wish to commend the members of this Department for their co-operation and loyalty in maintaining the efficiency of the Department.

I further wish to commend the Auxiliary Police for their co-operation and loyalty in the past year in sacrificing their time to the extent of 359 assignments totalling 1,052 man hours by 45 members of the Auxiliary, and in doing so assisted this Department in many assignments throughout the year, and the Auxiliary Radio Unit.

At this time I wish to express my appreciation to his Honor the Mayor and to the Honorable Board of Aldermen and to all other Departments for their assistance and co-operation with this Department.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. MacWilliams

George D. MacWilliams

Captain-in-Charge

Melrose Police Department

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

for the

Year ending December 31, 1959

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Howard B. Wilder, Chairman, Jan. - March
Ernest F. Perkins, Jr., Chairman, April - Dec.
William L. Carney
Elizabeth C. Hayes, April - Dec.
Edwin W. Lundquist
Elisabeth M. Perkins, Treasurer
Elinor H. Tibbetts, Jan. - March

THE LIBRARY STAFF

Helen Anderson, Librarian
Barbara G. Mason, Assistant Librarian
E. Claire Friedberg, Children's Librarian
Margaret M. Lorenz, Cataloger
Rhoda M. Parmenter, Circulation Librarian
Audrey C. Bergmann, Reference Librarian
Patricia L. White, Art Librarian
Genieve R. Hanks, Highlands Branch Librarian
Melba L. Belleau, General Assistant (Desk)
Ruth B. Zarella, General Assistant (Catalog Dept.)
Helen Harmen, General Assistant (Desk and Office)
Frances B. Hjerpe, General Assistant (Children's Dept.)
Elizabeth B. Smith, General Assistant (Children's Dept. Cataloger)
Phyllis J. McKiniry, General Assistant (Part-time)
Fanny B. Arnold, Assistant, East Side Branch
M. Pearl Rawding, Assistant, Ward 7 Branch
Jean P. Sewell, Assistant, Wyoming Branch
Evelyn R. Kehoe, Assistant, Wyoming Branch (Substitute)
Edwin W. Allen, Building Custodian

LIBRARY STATISTICS ACCORDING TO AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM

Name of Library.....	Melrose Public Library
City and State.....	Melrose, Massachusetts
Name of Librarian.....	Helen Anderson
Date of Founding.....	1871
Population.....(annual listing - City of Melrose).....	30,238
Number of agencies.....	Main Library, 1 branch, 3 branches in schools
Number of days open during the year.....	291
Hours open each week.....	Main Library 63 (10 months); 55 (2 months)
Number of volumes at the beginning of the year.....	77,336
Number of volumes added by purchase.....	4,932
Number of volumes added by gift.....	132
Number of volumes withdrawn.....	2,545
Number of volumes at the end of the year.....	79,855
Circulation of books.....	282,636
Number of registered borrowers.....	15,336

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Charles C. Barry, Esq., Chairman, 1904
Board of Library Trustees
Melrose Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Barry:

For the Trustees of the Melrose Public Library, in 1959, I am writing a letter backwards in time to 1904, when you were the honored Chairman who accepted the keys to the new library from Mayor Sidney H. Buttrick, on April 15, 1904.

With your pride and interest in the great improvement which the 1904 building represented over previous homes of the growing library, I am sure you would be sympathetic with some of the problems of 1959.

In 1904 this building which seemed "commodious" then, had a book stock of 15,000 volumes. The same building now houses about 62,884 books.

In 1904 this building served a population of 13,000. Today 30,000. In 1904 about 5,000 borrowers were registered. In 1959, over 15,000.

Your Children's Room satisfied a great need. In 1904, Melrose had 2,652 grade school children. In 1959 this same building serves 5,090 grade school children.

In 1904 Young People of high school age numbered 447. In 1959, this same building tries to serve a high school enrollment of 1,672, with increasing emphasis on service to Young People.

In 1904, from this building, 50,631 books were borrowed by patrons.

In 1959, from the same building, 205,259 were borrowed, with 77,377 from branches.

Work space in 1904 seemed generous for a staff that handled approximately 500 purchased volumes and a circulation of 50,000 books. In 1959 there is the same work space for a practically tripled staff where close to 5,000 volumes are purchased and processed, and where over 200,000 books are circulated.

Two offices designed in 1904 to be occupied by one person in each, are in 1959 frequently occupied by three people in each, trying to get around in an area 10 ft. square which is two thirds filled with furniture.

The room for expansion which was considered generous in 1904 has long since been filled to overflowing in the 50 years of increasing use and activities.

I am sure that, if you and the many men and women who gave unstintingly of time and effort to give Melrose a library in 1904 were here today, you would join the Trustees of 1959 in seeking a library adequate for the demands of 1959.

Very sincerely,

Emory F. Perkins Jr.

Chairman of Trustees - 1959

ART DEPARTMENT GROWS

A new look in the Art Department, now on the second floor, reveals some of the work of our new Art Librarian, Patricia White, who joined the staff in September. She recently graduated from Wellesley where her studies included both the Fine Arts and Music.

One of her early tasks at the library was to see that each book purchased from the Gendrot Fund received one of the new bookplates designed by Ture Bengtz. The Trustees were fortunate in having Mr. Bengtz to make the design that incorporates the likeness of Mr. Gendrot and the symbols of his art.

Miss White's activities are varied: Questions concerning art subjects are referred to her. About 1,800 cards have been typed for the duplicate catalog for the department. Consideration is being given to what books can be discarded. Methods of cataloging, lending and storage of slides that reproduce works of art, and of the small sculptures we purchased, are being studied. An extensive bibliography of materials useful to teachers in the schools was compiled and sent out. The request for this resulted from Miss White's talk to the elementary school principals and supervisors, who came to the library upon the invitation of the Children's Librarian, Mrs. Friedberg.

The current Citizens' Art Committee, with Mr. Bengtz as Chairman, includes Mrs. Abbott B. Foster, Mrs. Miriam B. Kaplan, Mrs. John J. Murray, Mrs. Harry L. Sawyer, Mrs. Eaton H. Perkins, Mrs. William S.D. Hayes, and John M. Hogan. They met three times to discuss items suggested for purchase from the Gendrot Fund income. Lists, checked with library holdings were prepared by Miss White for study by the Committee. In addition to over 200 books relating to art, about 250 colored slides depicting Italian and German art and twelve pieces of African sculpture were recommended and added. The library now needs to acquire a slide projector to show the slides.

A few noteworthy acquisitions include: UNESCO's beautifully illustrated volumes of reproductions of art in Czechoslovakia and Japan, the SKIRA volumes on Italian Painting from its origins to modern times, and a volume on Greek Painting. On modern art there are Marcel Duchamp, and Kandinsky's paintings. "A Concise History of Art", by Germain Bazin and Pollack's "Picture History of Photography" will be popular.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT HAS A BUSY YEAR

Two distinct interests have to be served in the Reference Department: those of Young Adults and those beyond high school age.

In buying for Young Adults, Mrs. Bergmann reports about 66 replacement copies, about 55 for the book report collection and 185 for the fast growing recreational reading. Both boys and girls enjoy the sports stories. Boys like books on hot rods, World War II experiences and war stories, and tales of courage and danger. Books that appeal to girls are nurse and doctor stories, career novels, guides to teenage living, secrets of charm, beauty aids and books for young moderns. More serious books are here - historical, biographical, geographical, and nature books in attractive modern style. College catalogs and career information are in demand by both young people and their parents.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Of the 176 books added to the general reference collection only a few can be mentioned here:

ENCYCLOPEDIA CANADIANA in 10 vols., a new and outstanding work.
 FEDERAL TAXES - an up-to-the-minute loose-leaf volume. Prentice.
 MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICES - with their current supplements.
 INFORMATION on Business, Washington, Taxes, Labor Relations, a newly acquired weekly service from Prentice.
 THOMAS REGISTER OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS
 WORDS OF SCIENCE
 DICTIONARY OF ELECTRICITY AND ELECTRONICS
 EPITOME OF THE PHARMACOPEIA
 AIRCRAFT YEARBOOK
 LEAHY'S HOTEL-MOTEL GUIDE
 AMERICAN ART DIRECTORY
 RECORD RATINGS
 FACTS ABOUT THE PRESIDENTS
 POLITICAL HANDBOOK OF THE WORLD
 SUMMER EMPLOYMENT DIRECTORY
 EDUCATIONAL DIRECTORIES

CATALOGING WORK IS CONSOLIDATED

A new edition of the cataloger's bible, SEARS' LIST OF SUBJECT HEADINGS, the first since 1954, inspired Mrs. Lorenz, Head Cataloger, to check the headings in the Melrose Library's catalog, from ABBREYS to ZOROASTRIANISM. This task involved adding many new headings, such as BRAIN WASHING, CYBERNETICS, and OUTER SPACE. It also meant the changing of such obsolete headings as CORPULENCE to WEIGHT CONTROL.

The classifying and cataloging of children's books, under Mrs. Lorenz' supervision, has been placed in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth Smith. Mrs. Ruth Zarella, assistant to the cataloger, and Mrs. Smith have completed an inventory of the Children's Library. Subject headings for the children's books have been organized into an authority file by Mrs. Lorenz.

STATISTICS OF TOTAL BOOK STOCK:

	ADULT	JUVENILE	TOTAL
Volumes at beginning of year	56,943	20,393	77,336
Volumes added by purchase	3,398	1,534	4,932
Volumes added by gift	83	49	132
Volumes withdrawn	1,916	629	2,545
Volumes at end of year	58,508	21,347	79,855

Spent in 1959 \$10,074.25 \$2,853.03

Record collection: LPs 430 albums; 78s 108 albums; 45s 14 albums

WORK WITH CHILDREN

A day in the children's room starts with routine matters. The doors are opened and the children arrive. It is then that the work takes on life and color.

"I want books about lawyers - real stories about real lawyers, 'cause I'm going to be a lawyer when I grow up." "Your father is a lawyer?" "No, he's a truck driver. But I'm going to be a lawyer."

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A boy asks for a book about stones and minerals. You find he has a collection and would bring it to the library for exhibit.

Many a time a child who has liked a book has said he would like to read it over and over and over.

FACTS AND FIGURES

The Summer Reading Club attracted 250 to join. An exhibit at the end of the summer displayed pictures and models illustrating the books the children had read. Parents and others were invited to view the exhibit.

The 7th and 8th grade children were given a former store-room adjacent to the Children's Room for their books and study.

Groups of Girl Scouts and groups of Cub Scouts came to learn about the library.

The Principals and Supervisors of the elementary schools were invited by Mrs. Friedberg to a social hour and discussion of what the library can offer to aid the schools, and how the schools can guide us to their needs. There was also a talk by Miss White on what can be borrowed from the Art Department.

Mrs. Friedberg's activities included a talk at the Annual Meeting of the Roosevelt P.T.A., story-telling at the Horace Mann and Lucius Beebe schools, and a visit to a P. T. A. meeting at the Beebe School. A list of books was compiled for the Library Committee of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. A list was also made for the Roosevelt School.

Mrs. Friedberg and Mrs. Hjerpe regularly attended group meetings of Children's Librarians.

For Book Week, the usual display of new books was featured.

The Campfire Girls volunteered to help at the library. They cleaned and mended a hundred books.

Various Boy Scouts took examinations for their reading merit badges.

Informal story-telling to small groups was carried on.

STATISTICS OF CHILDREN'S WORK:

CIRCULATION	NUMBER OF BORROWERS
Main Library 45,777	2,079
Highlands 22,034	989
East Side 12,477	831
Wyoming 8,806	608
Ward 7 <u>7,574</u>	<u>233</u>
96,668	4,740
To Schools 6,700	
2nd, 3rd, & 4th grade deposits <u>16,825</u>	
120,193	

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BRANCHES IN SCHOOLS:

There was an increase of over a thousand in the children's circulation at both East Side and Wyoming Branches, but a corresponding decrease at Ward 7. Adult borrowing decreased at all three schools. The number of registered borrowers increased at East and Wyoming.

In October Mrs. Laurence Sewell of the Wyoming Branch was granted a leave of absence because of illness in the family. Mrs. Elmer Kehoe has been substituting for her. Evening hours have been discontinued, and the library is open each afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00, Mon. - Fri.

HIGHLANDS BRANCH:

At Highlands Branch 40,610 books, periodicals and pamphlets circulated (22,034 juvenile, 18,576 adult). Mrs. Hanks loaned 127 record albums. Total circulation gained about 3,000.

Work with schools has been active. Two classes visited the library, teachers have promoted library use, and library cards are owned by practically all second grade boys and girls.

Physical needs for 1960 at Highlands Branch include repair of the ceiling, a new awning, some new furniture, and more shelving.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT:

Both the number of borrowers registered and the number of books borrowed have again shown an increase.

BORROWERS

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Juvenile</u>	<u>Total</u>
New	912	748	1,660
Withdrawn as inactive	900	247	1,147
Total borrowers	10,596	4,740	15,336
Net increase			513
Non-resident paying borrowers			66

Miss Parmenter expressed appreciation of the excellent work of Melba Belleau, her first assistant, during Miss Parmenter's absence because of illness in the summer.

CIRCULATION SUMMARY

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Juvenile</u>	<u>Total</u>
Whole city	162,443	120,193	282,636
Main Library	135,957	45,777	205,259
	(2,345 increase)(11,904 increase)		
Schools from Main Desk		6,700	
Schools-2nd, 3rd, 4th grades		16,825	
Branches	26,486	50,891	

PUBLIC LIBRARY

What kind of books did people borrow most?

FICTION	96,167	SOCIAL SCIENCES	5,219
PERIODICALS	12,982	GEOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL	5,135
BIOGRAPHIES	9,594	PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION	4,059
LITERARY WORKS	7,144	RENTAL BOOKS	5,056
HISTORY	6,419	PICTURES	661
ARTS AND RECREATION	6,067	RECORDS	2,868
APPLIED SCIENCE	5,666	SMALL SCULPTURES	5
		SLIDES	25

A few of the titles most in demand were TWIXT 12 & TWENTY, FOR 2¢ PLAIN, THE GREAT IMPOSTER, HOLOCAUST, SECRET WORLD OF KIDS, HAWAII, SILENT TRAVELLER IN BOSTON, ADVISE AND CONSENT, STATUS SEEKERS, EXODUS, DR. ZHIVAGO, DEAR AND GLORIOUS PHYSICIAN, BREAKING POINT.

Through interlibrary loan, 39 books were loaned and 18 borrowed by us.

Hospital service was suspended for a while after Mrs. George P. Beck gave up her volunteer work, a service for which we extend sincere thanks. Mrs. LeRoy Bateman who already has given many hours, will continue distributing the library books to hospital patients.

Shut-ins have received 416 bundles of books (3,127 volumes).

Weeding and shifting of book stock is a continuous process in the effort to contain our needed books in extremely limited space.

Proper arrangement of books on the shelves is essential. Mrs. Dorothy Bloom has recently checked the order of the books in the rear stacks and corrected errors of location.

A monthly bulletin listing the new books is a regular feature with a seasonal cover designed by Melba Belleau.

Overdue books become a problem after several notices have failed to bring results. Francis Belleau has been acting as collector for the past two months and has recovered many books long past due.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Rev. and Mrs. Harold K. Shelley were the co-chairmen for the 1959 National Library Week in Melrose from April 12 - 18.

Again the Melrose Free Press was generous with space.

Mr. Shelley wrote several articles for the newspaper and a letter that the School Department sent by the children to the homes of the students in the first six grades. Our library information circular was included. Mr. Shelley sent an article to the High School paper, and a letter to the Ministers of Melrose, and to the Club presidents urging attention to NLW.

Miss Remon, Elementary School Superintendent, sent a letter to elementary school principals, teachers-in-charge and teachers, offering suggestions and help for observing NLW.

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GROUPS MEETING AT THE LIBRARY

Among groups meeting at the library were The Art Class, The Writers' Workshop, sponsored by The Melrose and The Melrose Highlands Woman's Clubs and directed by Mrs. William S.D. Hayes, The African Violet Club, The Melrose Camera Club until our space became too small for their group, The League of Women's Voters, the Faneuil Hall Chapter, D.A.R.

STARS AND STRIPES

On behalf of the Veterans of World War I Melrose Barracks #1167, Commander H. Leslie Trickey presented to the library a bound volume of the American Expeditionary Forces newspaper THE STARS AND STRIPES. It was published in France weekly from February 8, 1918 to June 13, 1919. It was with much appreciation that the Trustees accepted this gift.

EXHIBITS

John Curtis' Photographs of the BRUSSELS FAIR were on display during the month of January.

The Young Artists' annual exhibit was from April 12 - 25.

The Campfire Girls had a poster contest with judging November 16-19 under the direction of Mrs. Harvey Morrison.

The Melrose Camera Club presented, from December 7 - 11, the TOPS IN PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW from the Photographic Society of America. It presented a wide variety of subjects in 100 to 140 photographs.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

North Shore Library Club meetings were attended by members of the staff January 29, at Salem; September 17, at Peabody Institute; and December 3, at Swampscott.

The catalogers went to a meeting at Simmons College April 30.

The Massachusetts Library Association meeting in February, at Boston University, was attended by several staff members.

In June, Miss Anderson represented Melrose at the American Library Association Conference in Washington, D. C.

This year Miss Anderson completed her term as a member of the Education Committee of the Massachusetts Library Association.

Several members of the staff were able to attend meetings of the New England Library Association held at New Ocean House in Swampscott in October.

The librarian gave a talk to members of the Lion's Club in February, and one to the Book Club of the Greenwood Woman's Club.

GIFTS OF BOOKS

Donations of excellent books have been received during the year for which the Librarians and Trustees express sincere thanks.

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METROPOLITAN BOSTON LIBRARY PLANNING COUNCIL

On May 6, 1959, 38 head librarians, or their representatives, from the Metropolitan area, as defined by the U. S. Census, met to discuss common library problems. They explored such topics as population groups, per capita support, reciprocal lending and non-resident fees. Meetings were held in August, September, October, and December. The purpose of the Council is "to provide the best library service possible in the area, to survey member libraries to determine strengths and weaknesses, and to open areas of cooperation".

Your librarian is actively interested in this project and attends the meetings. There is hope of being able to support an adequate bill for State Aid.

PLANNING PROGRESS ON BUILDING EXPANSION

Very gratifying is the interest shown by the League of Women Voters when in 1959 they decided to make further study of the library expansion needs one of their projects. On June 11, the Library Trustees met the League members and briefed them on progress to date.

Visits to new library buildings or recent additions have been made. These include Wellesley, Marblehead, and Braintree for new buildings, to which will be added Medford, upon completion; Lexington, Watertown, Swampscott, and Milton where additions have been made. The librarian attended a two-day conference on Library Buildings held at the new library of the University of Maryland, in June.

The alertness of our Trustees to the problems of our staff is appreciated. Also we commend the interest shown by our Mayor and Aldermen.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Anderson

Librarian

PUBLIC LIBRARY

CREDITS AND DEBITS FROM APPROPRIATIONS
AND TRANSFERS

	Credits	Debits	Balance Dec. 31, 1958
Salaries and Wages	\$60,067.03	\$62,422.73	\$129.30
Additional Appropriation	2,485.00		
Other Expenses	2,950.00	3,192.95	7.05
Additional Appropriation	250.00		
Books and Periodicals	4,000.00	12,927.28	32.49
Dog Tax	2,459.77		
Transfers (Fines)	6,500.00		
Fuel and Light	1,700.00	1,844.09	30.91
Additional Appropriation	175.00		
Building and Janitor's Supplies	850.00	653.05	196.95
Rent (Highlands Branch)	1,950.00	1,908.40	41.60
Binding	1,900.00	1,898.20	1.80
New Equipment	500.00	497.25	2.75
Out-of-state Travel	150.00	150.00	00.00
Roof Repairs	200.00	29.52	170.48
	<u>\$86,136.80</u>	<u>\$85,523.47</u>	<u>\$613.33</u>

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM TRUST FUNDS OF WHICH
THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY HAVE THE CUSTODY

	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Income	Disburse- ments	Balance Dec. 31, 1959
Sarah A. Chever Fund	\$ 843.03	\$ 28.68	\$	\$ 871.71
Stephen C. Deering Fund	540.01	18.37		558.38
Jabez Dyer Fund	1,390.34	47.30		1,437.64
Sarah E. Odlin Fund	2,069.60	70.41		2,140.01
Lizzie P. Smith Fund	562.89	19.14		582.03
Pierre Gendrot Fund				
Principal	41,597.28			41,597.28
Cumulated Income	<u>2,367.54</u>	<u>1,756.78</u>	<u>1,741.62</u>	<u>2,382.70</u>
	<u>\$49,370.69</u>	<u>\$1,940.68</u>	<u>\$1,741.62</u>	<u>\$49,569.75</u>

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUNDS
IN THE CUSTODY OF THE CITY TREASURER

	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Income	Disburse- ments	Balance Dec. 31, 1959
William E. Bailey Fund	\$3,357.28	\$ 84.38	\$	\$3,441.66
William E. Barrett Fund	84.96	2.53		87.49
Horatio N. Perkins Fund	679.52	16.88		696.40
Duplicate Fund	350.80	880.59	841.31	390.08
Fines Account	2,222.63	5,707.18	6,500.00	
Bals. ret'd to Fines	<u>32.49</u>			<u>1,462.30</u>
	<u>\$6,695.19</u>	<u>\$6,724.05</u>	<u>\$7,341.31</u>	<u>\$6,077.93</u>

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its report for the year ending December, 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. NEELY, CHAIRMAN
Woodbury L. Cogswell
Gertrude M. Curtin
Charles F. Kezer
Carol F. Offenbach

The membership of the Board changed during 1959 as a result of the resignation of John W. Huse in March, 1959. Mr. Huse had served on the Board since 1940 and had been a faithful and informed member during his long years of service. We were saddened by the death of Mr. Huse on June 21, 1959 and the Board adopted the following resolution to be placed upon the records of the Board of Public Welfare:

In Memory of John W. Huse
Member of the Board of Public Welfare
of the City of Melrose
1940 - 1959

Be it resolved: That there be inscribed in the records of the Board of Public Welfare this expression of the very real and personal loss suffered by the members of the Board in the death of our esteemed friend and colleague, John W. Huse. He had a constant interest and deep understanding of the problems of public assistance and his legal advice and skill was of inestimable value to the Board and to the City of Melrose. His integrity, devotion to duty, and adherence to the highest ideals of public service will be cherished and remembered by all who had the privilege of being associated with him.

It is ordered that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Huse's widow and children as an expression of our high regard for him and our deepest sympathy for them in their bereavement.

Mayor Lloyd appointed Woodbury L. Cogswell to succeed Mr. Huse as a member of the Board.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

While the number of persons receiving Old Age Assistance continues to decline slightly, the cost of the program is steadily rising. A comparison of the costs of med-

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ical care in 1955 and 1959 will illustrate the principal reason for increased expenditures for Old Age Assistance:

	<u>1955</u>	<u>1959</u>
Average caseload per month	386	346
Hospitals	\$ 18,916.98	\$ 37,844.02
Physicians	8,219.00	4,430.85
Nursing Homes	83,121.39	146,601.15
Drugs	13,321.96	18,385.95
Other - dentistry, glasses, clinics, R.C. nurses, etc.	3,878.68	5,295.21
	<u>\$127,458.01</u>	<u>\$212,557.18</u>

The charges for all items of medical care, except for drugs, are set by the State Department of Public Welfare and are based on agreements which are in effect on a state wide basis.

The Board considered 59 Old Age Assistance applications during 1959. Forty-four were approved, including 11 transfers from other cities, and the remaining 15 requests were denied or withdrawn. Eighty-five cases were closed during the year: fifty-eight recipients died, nine transferred to other cities, the other 18 cases were no longer in need, or became ineligible because of removal to another state, or admission to an institution.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

There were nine applications for Aid to Dependent Children; eight requests were approved, one was denied. Thirteen cases were closed during the year. The usual reason for closing a case was increased income from support payments by the absent father, children's earnings, or the employment of the mother. The cost of medical care in the Aid to Dependent Children program has also increased since 1955 but not to the extent that it has in the other programs. The caseload averaged 21-25 families a month in 1955; in 1959 the number of families aided ranged from 23 to 30.

	<u>1955</u>	<u>1959</u>
Hospitals	\$ 424.15	\$ 1,044.40
Physicians	330.60	312.00
Drugs	824.77	776.34
Others	527.98	813.75
	<u>\$ 2,107.50</u>	<u>\$ 2,946.49</u>

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Seventeen applications were considered for Disability Assistance; thirteen were approved, including three transfers from other cities, and three were denied. Fifteen cases were closed; five recipients died, four transferred to other cities, two found employment after a period of retraining under the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, two received increased resources, one transferred to Old Age Assistance and one person entered an institution.

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Medical expenses in the Disability Assistance category have increased substantially over the past four years.

	<u>1955</u>	<u>1959</u>
Average caseload per month	32	34
Hospitals	\$ 5,953.73	\$ 9,692.41
Physicians	949.00	567.00
Nursing Homes	7,042.61	7,944.22
Drugs	1,395.01	2,659.51
Other	672.40	2,182.16
	<u>\$ 16,012.75</u>	<u>\$ 23,045.30</u>

GENERAL RELIEF

The General Relief caseload fluctuates from month to month since most requests for assistance are to meet a temporary need or to supplement inadequate income. During the year 1959, 37 cases were approved for aid and 40 cases were closed. The caseload averaged 11 a month during 1955 and about the same in 1959 but the medical costs increased and were distributed as follows:

	<u>1955</u>	<u>1959</u>
Hospitals	\$ 1,716.66	\$ 2,019.23
Physicians	230.00	105.00
Drugs	297.74	319.07
Other	285.16	473.23
	<u>\$ 2,529.56</u>	<u>\$ 2,916.53</u>

A total of \$261.68 was expended from the Geo. Emerson Fund during 1959. The income from the Fund is used to provide services not usually available under Public Welfare.

The A.C. Marie D. Currier Fund income was used to give an extra food and clothing allowance at Christmas to needy families. \$790.02 was expended in December, 1959.

The Board is appreciative of the services provided by various community agencies. To mention just a few, - for many years the Melrose High School Girls Club has made up and delivered Thanksgiving baskets for a large number of families; the Community Associates have provided clothing and food for the holiday season; the Kiwanis Club has made it possible for some of our boys and girls to enjoy the experience of summer camp. To these organizations and to the other groups which have helped in so many ways, the Board wishes to express its thanks.

Mary J. Melville
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 Director of Public Assistance

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1959

	City		
	Appropriation	Federal Funds	TOTAL
<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
Administration:			
Salaries and	\$ 19,179.00	\$ 18,674.44	\$ 37,853.44
Other Expenses	150.00	150.00	150.00
Out of State Travel	17,500.00	17,500.00	17,500.00
General Relief	276,000.00	170,715.46	446,715.46
Old Age Assistance	16,000.00	25,514.62	41,514.62
Aid to Dependent Children	32,500.00	16,974.85	49,474.85
Disability Assistance			
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$361,329.00	\$231,879.37	\$593,208.37
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>			
Administration:			
Salaries	18,428.64	10,330.29	28,758.93
Other Expenses	150.00	3,776.03	3,776.03
Out of State Travel	17,497.34	150.00	17,497.34
General Relief	275,314.74	170,715.46	446,030.20
Old Age Assistance	14,854.93	21,535.49	36,390.42
Aid to Dependent Children	31,720.00	16,482.15	48,202.15
Disability Assistance			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$358,465.65	\$222,839.42	\$581,305.07
#1 - Includes \$7,550.12 balance from 1958			\$ 11,903.30
#2 - Unexpended balance			2,863.35
To - Estimated Receipts			9,039.95
To - Federal Fund			

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ASSISTANCE CASELOAD AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1959

Month	Old Age Assistance Amount	Aid to Dependent Children Amount	Disability Assistance Amount	General Relief Amount
January	370 37,941.15	28 3,635.55	34 3,567.00	14 886.90
February	363 37,549.37	28 3,319.07	35 4,792.06	9 873.87
March	361 36,453.51	26 3,227.47	35 3,853.06	9 565.05
April	357 37,380.84	26 3,239.27	33 3,908.07	13 911.66
May	353 37,565.39	26 3,213.94	33 3,298.58	10 1,027.25
June	348 37,112.76	28 3,023.90	34 4,305.32	10 539.40
July	342 37,304.26	30 3,220.76	34 5,358.31	12 1,077.33
August	341 35,674.14	28 3,050.11	33 4,176.03	10 547.95
September	336 35,993.05	28 2,677.51	33 3,747.82	10 508.50
October	331 35,663.27	25 2,957.64	34 3,476.90	11 951.66
November	325 37,282.50	25 3,021.76	33 4,137.72	12 622.89
December	327 36,608.80	23 2,789.18	33 3,614.51	9 894.27

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EXPENDITURES FOR SELECTED YEARS 1945--1959
FEDERAL AND CITY FUNDS COMBINED

	1945	1947	1949	1951	1953	1955	1957	1959
Administration: Salaries and Other Expenses	\$ 9,120.30	\$ 12,088.27	\$ 15,899.92	\$ 17,847.89	\$ 22,591.04	\$ 25,090.93	\$ 27,923.50	\$ 32,534.96
Out of State Travel				100.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	150.00
General Relief	19,882.95	22,943.16	38,990.90	39,998.40	24,848.92	32,476.05	17,674.60	17,497.34
Old Age Assistance	151,375.58	228,337.17	331,151.67	376,116.34	425,044.96	385,328.55	408,084.02	446,530.20
Disability Assistance					23,365.75	33,755.02	38,300.23	48,202.15
Aid to Dependent Children	14,580.28	24,490.04	32,585.89	30,771.39	29,293.03	27,005.95	30,599.30	36,390.42
Totals:	\$194,595.11	\$287,858.64	\$418,628.38	\$464,834.02	\$525,266.70	\$503,780.50	\$522,706.65	\$581,305.07

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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES AND REIMBURSEMENTS FOR 1959

	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	DISABILITY ASSISTANCE	GENERAL RELIEF	ADMINISTRATION	TOTAL RELIEF AND ADMINISTRATION
TOTAL	446,530.20 - 100.0 %	36,390.42 - 100.0 %	48,202.15 - 100.0 %	17,497.34 - 100.0 %	32,684.96 - 100.0 %	581,305.07 - 100.0 %
FEDERAL	170,715.46 - 38.2	21,535.49 - 59.2	16,482.15 - 34.1		14,106.32 - 43.1	222,839.42 - 38.4
STATE	198,947.55 - 44.5	13,101.61 - 36.0	18,853.48 - 39.1	3,304.74 - 18.8	740.72 - 2.3	234,948.10 - 40.4
RECOVERIES AND OTHER REIMBURSE- MENTS*	13,654.72 - 3.1			2,855.64 - 16.3		16,510.36 - 2.8
MELROSE	63,212.47 - 14.2	1,753.32 - 4.8	12,866.52 - 26.8	11,336.96 - 64.9	17,837.92 - 54.6	107,007.19 - 18.4

Notes - * This item chiefly reimbursements from other cities and towns where recipients have legal settlement
Settlement law does not apply in Aid to Dependent Children and Disability Assistance

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To His Honor the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the following report of the Public Works Department for the year of 1959.

The divisions of the Public Works Department are:
Engineering, Edwin H. King - Engineer in charge.
Highway, John B. Simonds - Asst. Supt. in charge.
Sewer, Walter Jones - Asst. Supt. in charge.
Water, Walter Olson - Asst. Supt. in charge.
Mechanical, Burton J. Shaughnessy - General Foreman.

While the activities of the Highway, Sewer, and Water Divisions are more or less independent, the Engineering and Mechanical Divisions serve not only the three public works operating divisions but also in many instances other departments of the City.

ENGINEERING DIVISION

This division, by the very nature of its work, is geared to help and serve every part of the entire public works department. It plans and lays out in the field all of the expansion work done by City forces and supervises practically all the contract work other than that of the construction of public buildings. Engineering and drafting is frequently done for other departments of the City and a considerable amount of the time of the engineer in charge is devoted to working with the City Solicitor concerning court cases involving the City which often requires engineering experience and a background of engineering knowledge concerning physical conditions and records of the City as a whole.

The engineering division consists of a directing head, a three man field party, and one office engineer, who in addition to his office engineering duties is the Workmen's Compensation Agent now that the City has become a self-insurer.

HIGHWAY DIVISION

The Highway Division has continued the practice of the past two years of doing its principal street repairs with Type I hot top which while costing more per square yard, makes for a much longer life of the repair and corrects many minor defects in the old surface.

Unaccepted ways have received repair work this year for the first time under a new Act for Melrose by the State Legislature. Those ways which have been handled in this manner have been received very enthusiastically by the property owners on these streets, and have been done with very satisfactory costs.

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The following tables and outlines indicate work done by the Highway Division:-

CONTINUOUS WALKS

B/A Order	Street	From	To	Lin. Ft. Edgestone	Sq. Ft. Walks	Sq. Ft. Drives	No. of Cor. Blocks
12727	Forest St. both sides	Lebanon St	Church St Present end " "	503.00	Gr 3011	756.8	14
12456	Sixth St.	Grove St	Laurel St	337.00	Gr 1734.16	361.80	6
12455	Grove St.	Cummer Ave	Wheeler Ave	117.30	Gr 1040.	427.00	6
12958c	Upham St.	Simonds Rd	Altamont Ave	*	Gr. 2004.	72.00	
				1017.30	7789.60	1617.60	26
12626	Boardman Ave.	No. 113	No. 133		Asph. 115.	sq yd 400	sq yds

*This item of continuous walk on Upham Street is on the State highway whereby the State set the edgestone and paved the street while the City agreed to place the walk surface in back of the edgestone and to maintain the sidewalk thereafter.

Due to the situation of two churches on this side of Upham Street which is State highway the State agreed to make the sidewalk area six feet in width to be solidly paved thereby giving more area for foot travel.

INDIVIDUAL WALKS

Street	Type	No. Sq. Yards
36 Baxter Street	Asphalt	43.50
60 Granite Street	Asphalt	53.00
98 Lynde St. (Mystic Ave)	Asphalt	40.00
86 Vinton Street	Asphalt	50.00
8 Renwick Road	Asphalt	26.00
91 Boardman Avenue	Asphalt	30.00
49/51 Crystal Street	Asphalt	45.00
North Forest Street	Asphalt	43.70
		331.20

SIDEWALK REPAIRING (Granolithic)

Street	Location	Sq. Ft.
Sylvan St.	at the Cemetery	1590.
Main St.	at Calvin Coolidge School & Methodist Church	2010.
Stratford Road	-	2029.
Albert Street	-	844.
Genrl. Walk Repairs	miscellaneous locations	4703.
Driveway Repairs	miscellaneous locations	1852.
		13028.

Inside curbs relaid - 234 lin. ft.

Outside curbs relaid - 197 lin. ft.

MISCELLANEOUS WORK (Granolithic)

Sidewalk at New High School	740 sq. ft.
Reinforced mat for wall at Cemetery	105.5 sq. ft.

SIDEWALK REPAIRING (Asphalt)

Porter Street	370.00 sq. yds.
Tremont Street	942.00 sq. yds.
Essex Street	164.00 sq. yds.
	1476.00

ASPHALT BERM

Tremont Street	557.00 lin. ft.,
Wheeler Avenue	253.00 lin. ft.
Pleasant Street	100.00 lin. ft.
Linden Road	239.00 lin. ft.
Otis Street	669.00 lin. ft.
	1818.00

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HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

<u>B/A</u> <u>Order</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Lin. Ft.</u>
9884	Meacham Street	Spears Street	Whitman Avenue	234.00
12293	Windsor Street	Stanley Street	North end	916.00
12327	Stanley Street	Windsor Street	Saugus line	45.00
11888	*Porter Street	Orchard Lane	Ellis Farm Lane	620.00
12048	Carlida Road	Howard Street	Northerly	496.00
12245	*Heywood Avenue	Damon Avenue	Frost Avenue	465.00
12503	*Brunswick Park	Vinton Street	Accepted end	645.00
				<u>3421.00</u>

WEST WYOMING AVENUE - CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

*	W. Wyoming Ave.	Main St. to Florence St.	1875.00	By contractor
				Rotondi
Ø	W. Wyoming Ave.	Florence St. to Lynde Ave.	<u>615.00</u>	By City
			2490.00	

* Unfinished

Ø Does not include 4 x 8 culvert - Cleveland Street to Lynde Avenue done under Rotondi contract.

HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

(Type I Resurfacing)

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Lin. Ft.</u>
*Ashland Place	Melrose Street	Southerly end	500.00
Ashmont Park	Ashmont Street	Southerly	195.00
Beech Avenue	Lebanon Street	Meridian St.	1025.00
Laurel Street	Sixth Street	Waverly Ave.	1530.00
Porter Street	School Street	Sheffield Rd.	1550.00
Orris Street	Vinton Street	Stoneham line	1900.00
Warren Street	Orris Street	Franklin St.	575.00
Oakland Street	Vinton Street	Charles St.	1120.00
Wheeler Avenue	Grove Street	Southerly	570.00
Wyoming Heights	Brown Street,	South end	500.00
Upland Road	Sewalls Wood Road	Glen Road	750.00
Fairmount Street	Beech Avenue	Appleton St.	<u>590.00</u>
			10805.00

* Private way leading to New High School

PRIVATE WAY REPAIRS

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Lin. Ft.</u>
Beacon Place	Grove Street	Crescent Place	340.00
Crescent Place	Grove Street	North end	200.00
Owego Park	W. Emerson Street	North end	180.00
Maple St(Bridle Path)	Poplar Street	Sanford Street	280.00
Eastman Pl & Fields Ct	Main Street	Stevens Place	280.00
Stevens Place	Upham Street	Eastman Place	340.00
Hunt Terrace	Forest Street	Easterly	290.00
Harrison Street	- - - South End	- - - -	<u>160.00</u>
			2070.00

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PARKING AREAS

Land takings were made and the parking area in back of the Fire Station and Memorial Hall was substantially increased and paving completed. A section of the drain serving this area was relaid and the catch basins rebuilt and raised. A six foot chain link fence was erected adjacent to the properties on the south and west, with a four foot fence on Winthrop Street with three exit openings. This area now affords substantial parking facilities, free to the public and merchants and the fence enclosure appears to have discouraged much of the use of the area as a playground.

FORESTRY

During the year of 1959 samples from 214 trees suspected of the Dutch Elm Disease were taken and sent to the Shade Tree Disease Laboratory at Amherst for diagnosis.

There has been a substantial drop in the number of Dutch Elm Diseased trees in 1959 due to some extent without doubt to the fact that there are becoming many fewer elm trees in the City. During 1959 there were 130 confirmed Dutch Elm diseased trees, 36 of which were street trees and 94 on private property as against 280 confirmed in 1958 and 52 of these being street trees, 228 on private property.

Substantial progress was made during 1959 in removing the low branches of many of our street trees which have continued to present a hazard to the fire department's ladder trucks, this work has been accomplished on 10.6 miles of street by our own forces supplemented by a contractor the latter part of the year.

The City planted a total of 197 new trees this year, 73 by a contractor and the balance by our own tree crew.

RUBBISH DISPOSAL

The rubbish disposal area on Broadway near the Trimount Stone Crusher has now been used a little over two years and the area of operation has become large enough for practical surface burning. The one very serious problem in the use of this area is the smoke nuisance which at time covers the Newburyport Turnpike and the Town Line Motel as well as other properties in the vicinity which are in Saugus and Malden. We are greatly concerned with this problem lest it bring complaints of sufficient agnitude to warrant the State to step in and require the City or Melrose to provide some sort of smoke control. Our own fire department has been called out several times during the year to control this smoke nuisance, and several of these times being in the evening when winds have fanned a smoldering fire left on the dump and these fires have gotten well underway before the fire department was called. This service by our fire department presents another problem as the only water supply in this area to the properties in Melrose is from the end of a Malden main water line, and everytime our fire department has occasion to use an abnormal amount of water it cause a disturbance of the sediment in the Malden line which not only annoys their own users but also one of our principal users the Town Line Motel As a result of this problem we are trying to work out with the City of

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Malden and the M.D.C. a connection from the State Highway C-1, whereby we can take water directly from a 30" M.D.C. water main eliminating the use of water through Malden pipes and guaranteeing a clean flow to the Town Line Motel as well.

Due to lack of bad weather during the month of December our collection costs were very little over the summer months, and together with a third loadpacker which we purchased earlier in the year enabled us to keep our labor costs down when there is need of supplementing our two regular trucks since we elected not to turn in the older of our previously owned loadpackers. In spite of the wage increase effective July 1st which amounted to approximately \$1000. for the six months period, we operated approximately \$2000. less than in 1958.

During our two year operation at this location we have attempted to burn the tree removals in a portion of the pit which we acquired from the Trimount Company and which we had to approach through their operating yard. The entrance to this area was remote from that which is supervised by our contractor on the rubbish disposal area and as a consequence during the year 1959 miscellaneous rubbish of all sorts has been hauled in through the Trimount yard which at times has made our area almost unuseable without a considerable amount of bulldozing work. During the month of December we constructed an extension of a roadway from the rubbish burning area to a high point over the quarry area which we had purchased from Trimount and have built a concrete buttress which will enable us to haul our tree removals to this point and dump them over the edge of the cliff forty or fifty feet below where they can be burned without further handling. This will enable us also to ask Trimount to permit no trucks from any source going through their work areas with trees or rubbish which are intended for our burning area.

This burning area being immediately adjacent to a Jewish Cemetery requires a certain amount of tact on the part of our rubbish area contractor to see that no serious objectional conditions prevail particularly at the time of burials. We were also able to pick up at a very low price from a local dealer some second and third grade arborvite trees which we set out along a portion of the cemetery fence to help make a shield between our operation and the cemetery. We will watch our chances for more of these lesser expense trees to continue along the cemetery fence as our initial start has been met very favorably by the Jewish Cemetery Committee.

ELL POND PARK

The dyke from the bath house (utility building) to the shore north of the Legion Bungalow has been substantially completed and the mud roll on the pond side has been removed to the north side of the dyke by dragline. In addition to the completion of the dyke a substantial portion of the area between the dyke and the Lynn Fells Parkway has been filled.

Gravel has been brought in to resurface the roadway around the knoll and an area at the east end of the hockey rink has been graded and gravelled prior to hot-topping the knoll road and this parking area in 1960.

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SEWER AND DRAIN DIVISION

There has for a long time been a definite need for more drainage construction to improve the more rapid discharge from rain storms and also to correct bad surface drainage problems and with the definite dropping off of the requirements for funds for building sanitary sewers a part of this savings should be allocated to surface drainage to better serve our citizens with an ultimate savings in upkeep.

The following tables and outlines will indicate many of the various services rendered by this division:

SURFACE DRAIN CONSTRUCTION

"The Big Ditch"

The Spot Pond Brook drainage project being constructed by the MDC was still in progress during the year 1959. The deep tunnel under Malden from Winter Street in Oak Grove to Charles Street in Malden having been completed in 1958 was ready to take the diverted waters from the open brook between Winter Street in Malden and the Wyoming Station in Melrose and the "big ditch" between these points has been substantially completed to a point north of Goodyear Avenue where it will go under the railroad tracks prior to being extended to the Wyoming Station.

It was anticipated that the balance of this project will be completed by the Fall of 1960.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION

<u>Street or Location</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Lin. Ft.</u>	<u>Size of Pipe</u>	<u>No. of MH's</u>
Boston Rock Road	#59	#148	702	8"	4
Porter Street	Orchard Lane	Ellis Farm Lane	454	8"	4
Starbird Street	Heywood Ave. North		105	6"	1
Wyoming Heights	#23	End of street	<u>200</u>	6"	<u>2</u>
			1461		11

74 Private sewer connections were laid in 1959 making a total 7,581 private sewer connections now in operation.

15 Street line connections were laid in 1959 on various new streets, these will be used at a later date.

The total miles of main sewers now in operation in the city = 71.29, this figure includes the .28 miles laid in 1959, and the M.D.C. branches running through Melrose

SEWER MAINTENANCE

263	Private sewer connections cleaned.
12	Private sewer connections dug up, cleaned & repaired.
24	Main sewer blocks cleared.
5	Miles of main sewers cleaned.
2	Sewerage pumping stations maintained.

BLASTING

Blasting for all divisions used:-

3715.5 sticks of 1857.75 pounds of 60% dynamite
and 3305 explosives.

SPECIAL MAINTENANCE

Structures raised for roadwork under Chapter 90,
Highway resurfacing, and private way repair.

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Special Maintenance - cont'd.

<u>Location</u>	<u>No. of Structures</u>
W. Wyoming Avenue - Chapter 90	15
Laurel Street Highway Resurfacing	19
Porter Street " "	16
Sixth Street " "	1
Beech Avenue " "	11
Fairmount St. " "	6
Otis Street " "	10
Oakland Street " "	7
Orris Street " "	23
Warren Street " "	4
Wheeler Avenue " "	3
Upland Road " "	5
Ashland Place Private Way Repairs	2
Hunt Terrace " " "	1
Owego Park " " "	1
Beacon & Crescent Pl. Private Way Repairs	1
Meacham Street Highway Construction	1
Brunswick Park " "	3
Boston Rock Road Private Way Repair by Contract	9
Tremont Street Sidewalk Repairing	9
Forest Street Sidewalk Construction	3

SURFACE DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION

<u>Location</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Lin. Ft.</u>	<u>Size & Kind of Pipe</u>	<u>No. of Mhs.</u>	<u>No. of Cbs.</u>
Porter Street	Ellis Farm Lane-Westerly	380	10" R. conc.	3	3
Meacham Street	-- Corner of Spear St.--	33	18" R. conc.	1	2
Wheeler Ave. (brook)	Beech Ave. southerly over private land	260	12" Cor.	2	0
Wheeler Avenue	From #32 Southerly	172	12" Cor.	0	1
Wheeler Ave. (brook)	Wheeler Ave. westerly over private land	128	15" Cor.	2	1
Wheeler Avenue	Rear of #240 Beech Ave - northerly	103	15" Cor.	1	0
Ashland Place	Southerly end-rear of High School.	160	8" Cast Iron	0	2
W. Wyoming Ave (Chap 90)	Pleasant St.-Cottage St.	747	12" R. Conc.	7	4 +
		1993		16	3 re-built 16

SURFACE DRAINAGE RELAY AND MAINTENANCE

<u>Location</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Lin. Ft.</u>	<u>Size & Kind of Pipe</u>	<u>No. of Mhs.</u>	<u>No. of Cbs.</u>
Sanford St.	Whittier St.	Westerly	119	8" Cor.	1 reblt.	2 reblt'
Martin St.	-	-	235	12" Cor.	4	2
W. Wyoming Ave.	Cleveland	Florence	315	12" Cor.	2	2 reblt
W. Wyoming Ave.	(	At Adams St.	(40	8" Cor.	-	0
	(		(16	8" C.I.	1	0
W. Wyoming Ave.	At Cleveland Street		30	10" Cor.	0	0
W Wyoming Ave Chap 90	Waverly Pl.	Main St.	180	15" R. Conc.	0	0
			935		8	6

Total drains laid = 1993 lin. ft.
 Total drains relaid = 935 lin. ft.
 New manholes = 23
 Rebuilt manholes = 1
 New catchbasins = 15
 Rebuilt catchbasins = 7

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

WATER DIVISION

With the continued reduction of new construction in the water division the TOTAL savings on this item should be allocated to water maintenance in order to replace as rapidly as possible all of the cement pipe which we have in our system and equally as important is the replacing of all of the unlined cast iron water pipe, much of which is corroded to the extent that the pipe has less than one-half of its intended capacity. Pipe lines of this sort constitute a threat to life and property in case of severe fires.

The following tables and outlines indicate work done by the water division:

MAIN LINE CONSTRUCTION

Location	Lin. Ft.	Size & Material	From	To
Boston Rock Rd.	777	8" C.I.C.L. pipe	#84	#148
Porter Street	266	12" C.I.C.L. pipe	Ellis Farm Lane	#375
Martin Street	173	2" C.I.C.L. pipe	#27	southerly
Beacon Street	32	8" C.I.C.L. pipe	#31 Beacon St.	to end
Starbird Street	92	2" C.I.C.L. pipe	Heywood Ave.	northerly
Colby Terrace	146	1½" C.I.C.L. pipe	S. Cedar Park	easterly
Hawes Avenue	32	8" Tyton Pipe	Heywood Ave.	N. St. line
Standish Road	220	8" C.I.C.L. pipe	#20	Prospect St.

Total Mains laid	12"	266 Lin. ft.
" " "	8"	1061 " "
" " "	2"	265 " "
" " "	1½"	146 " "
Total = 1738 Lin. Ft.		

MAIN LINE RELAY

Location	Lin. Ft.	*C.I.C.L.	Replacing	From	To
Fairmount St.	156	8"	6" cement	#12	Appleton St.
Ashland Pl.	330	8"	4" C.I. unlined	Melrose St.	End
Beech Ave.	824	10"	6" C.I. unlined	Birch Hill Rd.	Swains Pond Ave.
Beech Ave.	75	8"	6" C.I. unlined	St. line conn.	off Beech Ave.
Beech Ave.	6	6"	6" C.I. unlined	" " "	" to Swains Pond Ave.
Beech Ave.	40	12"	6" C.I. unlined	" " "	" " "
Laurel St.	224	8"	6" C.I. unlined	Lebanon St.	#17
W. Highland Ave.	350	8"	4" C.I. unlined	Main St.	Sargent St.
Orris St.	828	8"	6" Cement	Walton Park	Natalie Ave.
Sargent St.	36	8"	6" "	St. line conn.	W Highland Ave.
Porter St.	20	12"	12" unlined	Opp #375	lowered pipe
Heywood Ave.	705	8" Tyton	6" CI Unlined	Damon Ave.	south of Starbird St.
Hawes Ave.	19	8"	6" CI Unlined	Heywood Ave.	Street line

Total Mains relayed with	12"	CICL	60 lin. ft.
" " " "	10"	"	824 " "
" " " "	8"	"	2018 " "
" " " "	8"	Tyton	705 " "
" " " "	6"	CICL	6 " "
Total =			3613 Lin Ft

* C. I. C. L. is Cast Iron Cement Lined

ADDITIONAL GATES SET

Adams St. Cor. of Chester St.	6" A. P. Smith	Hydrant line
Starbird St. at Heywood Ave.	1" Corporation	Main line
Fairmount St. at Appleton St.	6" A.P. Smith	Hydrant Line
Beech Ave. west of Swains Pond Ave.	10" A. P. Smith	Main line
Beech Ave. east of Leah St.	10" A. P. Smith	Main line
Beech Ave. east of Birch Hill Rd.	10" A. P. Smith	Main line
Goss Ave. north of Beech Ave.	8" Crane	Main line
Goodyear Ave. east of railroad	18" Crane	Main line
Orris St. at Orris Place	8" Crane	Main line
Heywood Ave. east of Hawes Ave.	8" Kennedy	Main line
Heywood Ave. west of Hawes Ave.	8" Kennedy	Main line
Heywood Ave. south of Starbird St.	8" Kennedy	Main line
Heywood Ave. at Starbird St.	6" A.P. Smith	Hydrant line

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

GATES REMOVED AND RESET

<u>Location</u>	<u>Set</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Fairmount St. north of Appleton St.	8" Crane	4" Chapman
Ashland Pl. south of Melrose St.	8" Crane	4" Chapman
Ashland Pl. on hydrant	6" Crane	4" Chapman
Garland St. at Glen St.	6" Crane	6" Chapman
Beech Ave. at Swains Pond Ave.	10" A.P. Smith	6" Chapman
Goss Ave. at Beech Ave.	8" Crane	6" Chapman
Beech Ave. east of Goss Ave.	10" A.P. Smith	6" Chapman
Beech Ave. at Goss Ave.	6" A.P. Smith	6" Chapman
Laurel St. at Lebanon St.	8" Crane	6" Chapman
W. Highland Ave. east of Sargent St.	8" Crane	Unknown
W. Highland Ave. at Howie Ct.	6" Crane	4" Chapman
Orris St. at Natalie Ave.	8" Kenedy	6" Chapman
W. Wyoming Ave. at Cottage St.	16" A.P. Smith	16" Unknown

1731 Water gates were inspected and tested. This item of maintenance was performed at night when the use of water was at its lowest point. In this way fewer people are inconvenienced and the work could progress more efficiently.

ADDITIONAL HYDRANTS SET

N o n e

HYDRANTS REMOVED AND RESET

<u>Location</u>	<u>Set</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Fairmount St. at Appleton St.	6" Rens.	4" Chapman
Ashland Place at end	6" Rens.	6" Smith
Beech St. at Goss Ave.	6" Rens.	6" Smith
Orris St. at Orris Pl.	6" Rens.	4" Chapman
Howard St.	6" Rens.	6" Rens.
Adams St. at Chester St.	6" Rens.	4" Chapman
Faxon St. at Grove St.	6" Rens.	6" Corey
Washington St. #99	6" Rens.	6" Rens.
W. Wyoming Ave. at Main St.	6" Rens.	6" Corey
Upahm St. Opp. Woodcrest Dr. West	6" Rens.	6" Smith
Ellis Farm Lane corner Porter St.	6" Rens.	6" Rens.
Martin Street	6" Rens.	6" Smith
Brunswick Park	6" Rens.	6" Smith
Swains Pond Ave.	6" Rens.	6" Rens.
Stevens Pl. at Fields Court	6" Rens.	6" Corey

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

GENERAL SUMMARY

1738	Linear ft. new mains laid
3613	Linear ft. mains relay
2122	Linear ft. new services laid
3178	Linear ft. services relaid
89	New services laid
101	Services in street renewed
45	Services in street repaired
56	Services in private property renewed
11	Services in private property repaired
89	Services cleaned
145	Services turned off & on various reasons
135	Emergency leaks investigated
48	Leaks in main line repaired
7620	Water services
8	Services abandoned
179	Curb and gate boxes reset
13	Additional gates set
14	Gates replaced
12	Gates repaired
1731	Gates opened, closed and greased
1731	Gates on mains
none	Additional hydrants set
15	Hydrants removed and reset
35	Hydrants repaired
300	Hydrants flushed
571	City Hydrants
7	Private hydrants
32	Fire services - 28 active
59	New meters set on new services
1	New meter replaced old meters discarded
14	New meters replacing meters to be repaired
12	New meter purchased
130	Old meters repaired
17	Old meters discarded
142	Meters repaired in service
400	Special meter readings
7559	Meters in service

MECHANICAL DIVISION

In the mechanical division the following equipment changes took place during the year of 1959 - equipment acquired is as follows:-

- 1 three ton Ford cab and chassis (added)
- 1 sixteen cubic yard Garwood Loadpacker (added)
- 1 half ton pickup truck (replacement)
- 1 extra heavy body for derrick truck (replacement)
- 1 brush chipper for tree division (added)
- 1 pipe cutter for water division (added)

In addition to the equipment of the public works department servicing is also done to equipment of the Police Department, Wire Department, Building Department, Welfare Department, School Department, and Cemetery Department.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Forces of the Public Works Department were working from January to April in the area back of the present High School for that part to be occupied by the classroom and gymnasium additions to the present High School and they also relocated all services which formerly came to the present High School from Ashland Place and brought all of the sewer, drain and water pipe connections to within five feet of the foundation locations of these two new additions. The department also did substantial amounts of the work necessary for relocating the gas and electric services prior to the letting of the general contract for the additions.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

A contract was let in April to the L & R Construction Company for a twenty class room addition and for a complete gymnasium with band rooms, and work was started immediately with the expectation of having these additions ready for occupancy when school opens in September of 1960.

NOTE: It is of interest to note that during the placing of the foundation for the gymnasium wing a live vein of water was uncovered which ran continuously all the time the footings were being placed which may explain to a degree why our Ell Pond even during the very dry periods of the summer months, maintains its same level. It is fair to assume that this Ell Pond basin draws underground water from nearly three quarters of its perimeter.

INSURANCE

During 1959 one fifth of the City's fire insurance was changed from stock companies to mutual companies.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CITY of MELROSE
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASS.

Location	7 miles north of Boston
Population January 1, 1959	30238
Number of Voters	15585
Greatest extent of City, east and west.....	2.85 miles
Greatest extent of City, north and south	2.44 miles
Valuation of Real Estate	48,350,400
Valuation of Personal Property.....	3,675,750
Tax Rate per thousand	66.30
Area of City:	
Land	3,079.50 acres
Water	35.50 acres
Length of Public Streets	67.34
Length of Private Streets	9.10
Length of Water Mains.....	81.58
Length of Sewer Mains.....	71.29
Range of pressure on mains	23-96 lbs.

Street Lighting

	(streets)	(parking lots)	(total)
Number of 1000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANOH	1218	2	1220
Number of 1000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	4	0	4
Number of 2500 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANOH	65	10	75
Number of 2500 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	1	0	1
Number of 6000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANOH	29	0	29
Number of 6000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	10	0	10
Number of 10000 Lumen Incandescent Lights ANUG	1	0	1
Number of 11000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANUG	2	0	2
Number of 11000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANOH	0	2	2
Number of 15000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANUG	22	3	25
Number of 15000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANOH	4	10	14
Number of 21000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANUG	120	0	120
Number of 21000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights ANOH	0	8	8

Area of Parks:

Bowden Park	.62
Colby Park	.90
Ell Pond Park	34.41
Horace Mann Park	.60
Lebanon Street Playground	.95
Lincoln School Playground	1.60
Melrose Common	4.40
Messengers Meadow Playground	2.89
Middlesex Fells	170.00
Mount Hood	225.00
Pine Banks	81.80
Sewall Woods Park	9.00
Conant Park	4.80
Wyoming Cemetery	43.50
Gooch School Playground	.64

Elevation, Main Street at City Hall - 61 feet above mean tide.

Elevation, Franklin Square - 85 feet above mean tide.

The opportunity for close cooperation with the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, and outstanding cooperation by other city departments together with the efforts of the various divisions of the Public Works Department have contributed to a very harmonious and we believe a very successful year.



Glen S. Weeks
Engineer and Superintendent
Public Works Department

REPORT OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Melrose Redevelopment Authority respectfully submits herewith its annual report for the year 1959. Although this authority is not a part of the City government and is not covered by Section 2-39 of Chapter 2 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Melrose, we appreciate the inclusion of the report in the City of Melrose Annual Reports.

Regularly scheduled monthly meetings, special meetings and an annual meeting have been held throughout the year, including the summer months.

The Authority assisted the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen, the Planning Board, the Board of Health and the City Departments in the formulation of a Workable Program for the City. The Federal and State laws require this study of the City prior to granting aid for urban redevelopment.

The Authority studied the community and the renewal area designated by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. With the consultation of Planning and Renewal Associates a Survey Application was sent to the Federal Authorities. When this application is approved, the Federal Government will forward monies needed to comprehensively study and plan the redevelopment of the designated area.

During the year members of the Authority attended conferences and meetings such as:

- 26th National Conference of Housing and Redevelopment Officials in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Regional Meeting and Seminar of Redevelopment Authorities in New York City
- Planning Board Meetings
- Consultations with Federal Authorities in New York City
- Consultations and meeting with Federal Authorities visiting Melrose
- Visiting other Authorities and Projects

The members of the Authority are Jay J. Martin, Jr., Chairman; Joseph E. Kehoe, Vice Chairman; Herbert R. Corey, Treasurer; Christopher J. McCarthy, Assistant Treasurer; Ray C. Young, Secretary.

All members of the Melrose Redevelopment Authority wish to take this opportunity to express appreciation of the cooperation of His Honor the Mayor, the Honorable Board of Aldermen, City officials and other Departments and Committees throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay J. Martin, Jr.

Jay J. Martin, Jr., Chairman

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

January 31, 1960

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the Board of Registrars of Voters for the year 1959 is herewith submitted.

As required by law, the Registrars caused lists to be made of all persons twenty years of age and older found to be residing in Melrose on January 1, 1959. The number so listed was as follows:

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
1,154	1,263	1,729	1,693	1,183	1,207	1,181	1,548	1,380	1,712
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>				
1,258	1,213	1,079	1,303	853	19,756				

Concurrently with the annual listing a determination was made of the total population of Melrose as of January 1, 1959, as follows:-

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
1,800	1,906	2,683	2,479	1,749	1,904	1,543	2,404	2,181	2,508
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>				
1,940	1,848	1,743	2,117	1,393	30,238				

Lists containing the names of all male persons twenty years of age and older found by the Registrars to be residing in Melrose on January 1, 1959, to the number indicated below, were transmitted to the Assessors, as required by law:-

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
509	534	798	759	537	537	478	705	638	787
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>				
563	563	504	614	400	8,926				

Questionnaires were sent to 200 female persons and to 325 male persons for the purpose of determining their qualifications for jury service. From the replies to these questionnaires received 122 female persons and 273 male persons, making a total of 394, were found to be qualified and their names were included in the jury lists.

The names of 150 enrolled voters of the Democratic party were determined by the Registrars to be those of persons qualified for service as election officers, and a list containing the names of such persons was transmitted to His Honor, the Mayor, as required by law. No list of enrolled voters of the Republican Party desiring appointment as election officers was submitted to the Registrars.

REGISTRARS OF VOTER

Applications for registration for voting were received during regular business hours, except for the periods preceding the city election when registration was required by law to cease, and at four special evening sessions. During the year the names of 540 persons were added to the general and current annual registers of voters.

The names of 965 persons found to be no longer qualified to vote by reason of removal from the city, death or other causes were stricken from the register of voters.

The number of persons whose names were included in the current annual register of voters as of December 31, 1959, was

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
996	953	1,448	1,361	971	906	886	1,308	1,081	1,225
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	TOTAL				
937	991	851	1,075	635	15,624				

In addition, 39 residents of Melrose serving in the armed forces, or spouses or dependents of persons so serving, were qualified, either on direct application or on application of their kindred, for voting by absent voting ballot at the city election, making the total of duly registered and qualified voters as of December 31, 1959, 15,663.

The ratio of duly registered voters to population was 51.67%.

Signatures on nomination papers of candidates to be voted for at the city election were certified as being those of duly registered and qualified voters of the city of Melrose, signed in the manner prescribed by law, to the number of 3,738.

The names of 144 persons making application for absent voting ballots for the city election, including 100 persons serving in the armed forces, or spouses or dependents of persons so serving, from whom, or in whose behalf, applications were received, were certified as being those of duly registered or qualified voters of the city of Melrose.

Following the city election a recount was made of the votes cast in the several wards of the city for the office of School Committee. The candidates determined to have been elected, as shown by the returns made by the election officers of the results of the votes cast at the election, were found by the Registrars to have been so elected.

The total number of sessions held by the Registrars was 20.

The sum of \$577.00 was received for 577 copies of the Street Lists, at \$1.00 each, sold during the year.

Paul H. Provandie
Paul H. Provandie, 2nd, Chairman

John F. Flynn
John F. Flynn

Edward J. Murphy
Edward J. Murphy

Raymond H. Greenlaw
Raymond H. Greenlaw, Clerk

BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

REPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen

The Retirement Board of the City of Melrose submits herewith the report of the financial statements reflecting the condition of the System on December 31, 1959, together with the results of its operation for the year 1959 with supporting schedules.

The earnings from our investments are well above the State average. The average earned rate of interest for all retirement systems in the Commonwealth was 2.8% while the Melrose Board was able to invest their funds with average earnings of 3.47%, resulting in a savings to the city of \$10,877.30.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur M. Goddard Chairman

Walter Jones

Robert L. Hutchinson Secretary

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1959

<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Book Value of Bonds	545,136.62	Annuity Savings Fund	568,167.05
Stocks	<u>144,093.00</u>	Annuity Reserve Fund	104,606.74
Book Value of Coop. Shares	130,000.00	Special Fund for Military Service	6,546.24
Deposits in Trust companies and banks not on interest	2,830.02	Pension Fund	162,306.24
Deposits in Trust companies and Savings Banks on interest	15,000.00	Expense Fund	1,363.73
Accrued interest on bonds	5,930.36		
	\$842,990.00		\$842,990.00
	<u><u>\$842,990.00</u></u>		<u><u>\$842,990.00</u></u>

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP FOR 1959 ACTIVE MEMBERS

Active Membership December 31, 1958		277
Enrolled during 1959		25
	Total	<u>302</u>
Deduct: ceased by		
Death	2	
Withdrawal	9	
Retired	<u>9</u>	21
		<u>281</u>
		<u><u> </u></u>

INACTIVE MEMBERS

Inactive membership, December 31, 1958		46
Retirements		9
Transfer from active		<u>1</u>
		56
Deduct:		
Death and withdrawals		<u>11</u>
		<u>45</u>
		<u><u> </u></u>

Total active and inactive membership, Dec. 31, 1959 326

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT EARNINGS During 1959

Gross interest	\$27,203.79
Less: net decrease by amortization	<u>86.26</u>
	27,117.53
Plus: net increase in accrued interest	<u>767.00</u>
Total earnings	27,884.53
Total regular interest required to maintain funds of System in accordance with law	17,007.23
Balance, Surplus	\$ 10,877.30

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

SCHEDULE OF STOCKS - DECEMBER 31, 1959

	No. of Shares	Mkt. Value Dec. 31, 1959
Bank of America, San Francisco, Cal.	150	\$ 7,650.00
Chase Manhattan Bank, New York	100	7,000.00
Chemical Bank-New York Trust Co., New York	180	13,090.00
First National Bank of Boston, Boston, Mass.	216	20,736.00
First National Bank of New York, New York	100	9,200.00
Girard Trust - Corn Exchange Bank, Phila., Pa.	100	5,600.00
Melrose Trust Co., Melrose, Mass.	100	4,000.00
Manufacturers Trust Co., cap. New York	100	6,800.00
Merchants National Bank, Boston, Mass.	100	5,100.00
" " " " " stk. div.	16	816.00
" " " " " " "	13	913.00
Middlesex County Nat'l. Bank, Everett, Mass.	131	6,812.00
Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., New York	120	11,150.00
National Shawmut Bank, Boston, Mass.	120	6,360.00
" " " " " "	100	5,300.00
New England Trust Co., Boston, Mass.	200	8,200.00
Newton-Fatham Bank & Trust Co.	50	2,450.00
Second Bank - State Street Trust Co., Boston,	45	4,185.00
Security Trust Co., Lynn, Mass.	37	2,516.00
Aetna Insurance Co., Hartford, ct.	100	7,900.00
Fireman's Fund Insurance Co.	100	5,300.00
Total Stocks		\$ 144,093.00

SCHEDULE OF COOPERATIVE BANK SHARES

	No. of Shares	Book Value Dec. 31, 1959
Beverly Cooperative Bank, Beverly, Mass.	10	2,000.00
Cape Cod Cooperative Bank, Yarmouthport, Mass.	10	10,000.00
Concord Cooperative Bank, Concord, Mass.	80	16,000.00
Hyannis " " Hyannis, Mass.	10	2,000.00
Malden " " Malden, Mass.	10	2,000.00
" " " " "	20	4,000.00
" " " " "	10	2,000.00
" " " " "	30	6,000.00
" " " " "	10	2,000.00
Mattapan " " Mattapan, Mass.	10	2,000.00
" " " " "	10	2,000.00
Melrose " " Melrose, Mass.	10	2,000.00
" " " " "	20	4,000.00
" " " " "	20	4,000.00
" " " " "	30	6,000.00
Meeting House Hill Coop. Bank, Dorchester, Mass.	10	2,000.00
" " " " "	20	4,000.00
Merchants " " Boston, Mass.	20	4,000.00
Middleborough " " Middleborough,	10	2,000.00
Saugus " " Saugus, Mass.	80	16,000.00
Stoneham " " Stoneham, Mass.	10	2,000.00
Wakefield " " Wakefield, Mass.	80	16,000.00
Waverly " " Waverly, Mass.	80	16,000.00
Wellesley (matured) " " Wellesley, Mass.	10	2,000.00
Total Cooperative Bank Shares		\$ 130,000.00

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

MEMBERS RETIRED IN YEAR 1959

<u>Name</u>	<u>Former Position</u>	<u>Date Retired</u>
John F. Cogan	Custodian	1/31/59
Henry Grubb	Custodian	1/31/59
Owen J. MacDonald	Laborer as of	12/31/58
Mary C. Thatcher	Clerk	4/30/59
Doris T. Ussher	Clerk	7/31/59
William Ball	Truck driver	8/31/59
S. Homer Buttrick	Treasurer-Collector	8/31/59
E. Maude Brown	Asst. City Clerk	9/30/59
Johanna P. M. Versteeg	Public Health Nurse	11/30/59

RETIRED MEMBERS AS OF DEC. 31, 1959

Arthur A. Hayden	Board of Health	12/19/38
Ralph Hallahan	Truck driver	10/20/40
Bertha C. Lapham	Clerk	6/5/44
Fred C. Fellows	Call Fireman	4/1/46
Philip C. Cassell	Laborer	5/3/46
George H. Cray	Superintendent	6/1/46
Eugene F. McCarthy	Foreman	4/3/46
Arthur J. Burke	Laborer	1/22/47
Paul V. DeFranco	Patrolman	5/5/47
Lillian B. Warren	Clerk	3/31/48
John E. Grace	Laborer	6/30/48
Ethel M. Hewson	Secretary	10/1/48
M. Eileen Dunlay-	Clerk	9/15/48
George K. Lyons	Patrolman	9/25/48
Mary E. Ayers	Librarian	9/1/49
Michael Fahey	Laborer	7/31/50
Emily N. Osgood	Clerk	12/1/50
Elsie M. Ashmead	School Nurse	1/1/51
Julia A. Sullivan, Ben. of Julian T. Sullivan	Working Foreman	2/21/51
Clifton E. Bain	Fireman	11/8/51
Charles E. Van Riper	Senior custodian	11/28/51
Fred C. Solberg	Laborer	2/29/52
Margaret M. Welch	Clerk	5/31/52
Harvey L. McGilley	Laborer	6/2/52
Paul W. Watson	Fireman	9/30/52
Janette K. Graham	Bookkeeper	2/6/53
Mary E. Donovan, Ben. of Edward J. Donovan	City Auditor	6/30/53
Astrid J. Abrahamson	Cafeteria Helper	7/14/53
Harry P. Lord	Laborer	1/9/54
Martin J. Armstrong	Working Foreman	2/27/54
Robert B. Toomey	Firefighter	4/3/54
Harry Leary	Laborer	4/9/54
William Damory	Tree Foreman	5/7/54
Wesley H. Murray	Sealer of W. & M.	5/31/54
James R. Findlay	Foreman	9/15/54
Genevieve C. Walden, Ben. of Henry C. Walden	Lineman	10/1/54
Helen Coye, Ben. of Francis L. Coye	Laborer	12/26/54
George A. LeFave	Laborer	4/22/55
Frank Gilmartin	Laborer	10/31/55
Genevieve J. Creeley	Health Nurse	12/31/55
Annie M. McCormack, Ben. of Michael J. McCormack	Laborer	6/30/56



SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Financial Summary - January 1, 1959 - December 31, 1959

	Requested by School Committee	Appropriated by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers, Credits	Net Appropria- tions	Expenditures	Balances
Salaries	\$ 1,582,023.00	1,582,023.00		1,582,023.00	1,581,537.26	485.74
Other General Expense	11,300.00	11,300.00	£ 200.00	11,500.00	11,489.68	10.32
TEXTBOOKS and SUPPLIES	86,184.00	86,184.00	- 200.00	85,984.00	82,576.18	3,407.82
Plant Maintenance and Operation	155,281.00	155,281.00	£ 5,423.82	160,704.82	160,485.79	219.03
Support of Athletics	15,871.00	15,871.00	£ 9,000.00	24,871.00	24,871.00	
	1,850,659.00	1,850,659.00	£ 14,423.82	1,865,082.82	1,860,959.91	4,122.91
<u>Special Appropriations</u>						
Adult Education	8,920.00	8,920.00	- 322.00	8,598.00	8,557.43	40.57
Out of State Travel	750.00	750.00		750.00	547.42	202.58
Horace Mann Playground	3,500.00	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,479.37	20.63
Sprinkler Systems	15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00	10,374.18	4,625.82
	28,170.00	28,170.00	- 322.00	27,848.00	22,958.40	4,889.60
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,878,829.00	1,878,829.00	£ 14,101.82	1,892,930.82	1,883,918.31	9,012.51

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

General Statistics

Population of Melrose (Jan.1,1959)	30,238
Number of different pupils enrolled, exclusive of re-enrollment, school year 1958-1959	5,516
Number in High School	1,414
Number in Elementary Schools	4,102
Total approved bills 1958-1959 (Support)	\$1,752,072.39
Amount expended for High School, exclusive of General Control 1958-1959	573,460.94
Cost per pupil in High School based upon average membership 1958-1959 (1414)	405.50
Amount expended for Elementary Schools, exclusive of General Control 1958-1959	1,178,611.45
Cost per pupil in Elementary Schools, based upon average membership 1958-1959 (4102)	287.32
Amount expended for tuition (Vocational Schools)	4,334.34
Number of full-time High School teachers including Principal, January 1, 1959	71
Number of full-time Elementary School teachers including Principals January 1, 1959	169

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Year	No. of different pupils enrolled in elementary schools exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of different pupils enrolled in High School exclusive of re-enrollment	Average membership in elementary schools	Average membership in High School	Average attendance in elementary schools	Average attendance in High School	No. of graduates from High School	No. of graduates from grammar school
1939-40	2,785	1,453	2,732.18	1,429.19	2,612.83	1,363.96	331	286
1940-41	2,702	1,414	2,675.99	1,379.13	2,539.31	1,311.52	302	296
1941-42	2,695	1,392	2,610.29	1,365.20	2,404.33	1,290.64	332	320
1942-43	2,648	1,308	2,569.75	1,249.51	2,371.82	1,168.83	265	335
1943-44	2,546	1,249	2,474.18	1,216.49	2,295.41	1,135.55	311	311
1944-45	2,452	1,220	2,391.13	1,193.39	2,230.73	1,125.37	288	296
1945-46	2,532	1,223	2,447.29	1,175.46	2,287.43	1,106.65	261	325
1946-47	2,486	1,237	2,419.63	1,203.70	2,259.02	1,139.01	247	247
1947-48	2,485	1,159	2,419.45	1,133.40	2,265.17	1,070.04	283	257
1948-49	2,543	1,094	2,515.75	1,073.86	2,345.14	1,021.50	280	277
1949-50	2,646	1,051	2,500.00	1,037.06	2,427.84	983.04	260	294
1950-51	3,095	1,090	3,066.54	1,048.97	2,751.07	1,001.24	216	274
1951-52	3,200	1,078	3,095.24	1,047.14	2,824.01	985.65	233	271
1952-53	3,366	1,076	3,262.25	1,057.97	3,013.04	1,002.65	224	286
1953-54	3,517	1,154	3,473.74	1,147.91	3,216.28	1,089.08	263	292
1954-55	3,687	1,167	3,605.13	1,153.31	3,318.55	1,091.41	264	333
1955-56	3,859	1,236	3,765.19	1,208.45	3,518.72	1,152.52	257	352
1956-57	4,022	1,334	3,925.91	1,289.80	3,651.73	1,222.68	256	384
1957-58	4,014	1,475	3,959.19	1,414.03	3,653.56	1,343.34	320	373
1958-59	4,207	1,457	4,137.52	1,424.47	3,858.00	1,344.58	288	398

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Showing Total Enrollment by Ages and Grades as of October 1, 1959

Age	Spec.	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	PG	Total
4 to 5 yrs.		105														105
5 to 6 yrs.	1	446	73	1												521
6 to 7 yrs.	1	13	369	83												466
7 to 8 yrs.			23	323	79											425
8 to 9 yrs.	3			35	351	78										467
9 to 10 yrs.	3			4	37	357	82									483
10 to 11 yrs.	3				9	34	303	94								443
11 to 12 yrs.	4					9	41	319	73	1						447
12 to 13 yrs.	5						9	48	351	100						513
13 to 14 yrs.	4							7	52	280	92					435
14 to 15 yrs.	4								7	50	270	96	1			428
15 to 16 yrs.	4									2	62	203	97	1		369
16 to 17 yrs.	1										15	62	237	110		425
17 to 18 yrs.											1	13	39	198		251
18 to 19 yrs.											1		6	29	6	42
19 to 20 yrs.											1		1	7	1	10
20 to 21 yrs.															1	1
21 and over															1	1
Total	33	564	465	446	476	478	435	468	483	433	442	374	381	346	8	5832

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

DENTAL REPORT OF HEALTH TEACHER

School Year 1958-1959

Number of individual inspections	3,593
Number of notices sent	1,537
Number of home visits	379
Number of telephone consultations	1,064
Number of visits to Forsyth	25

Treatment at Forsyth Dental Infirmary for Children provided the following services: restoration of diseased teeth, all types of oral x-rays, removal of infected teeth, oral prophylactic treatments and orthodontic treatment.

INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUILDINGS Melrose, Massachusetts

<u>Name</u>	<u>When Built</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Whittier	1884	\$ 36,880
Warren (Administration)	1892	55,550
Franklin	1896	137,220
Lincoln	1896	365,550
Washington	1896	243,880
Coolidge	1897	609,550
Roosevelt	1924	480,770
Ripley	1924	148,000
Winthrop	1926	403,495
High	1933	1,319,220
Horace Mann	1950	515,057
Beebe	1955	383,200

Respectfully submitted,



Harold T. Rand
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:

The report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1959 follows:

	Not Sealed	Adjusted	Sealed	Condemned
Scales	0	9	188	2
Weights	0	0	437	0
Oil Trucks	0	0	0	0
Gasoline Pumps	0	0	90	2
Oil and Grease Meters	0	0	30	0
Bulk	0	0	0	0
Yard Sticks	0	0	0	0
Taximeters	0	0	4	0
Pedlar's License	0	0	1	0
Trial Weighing	0	0	117	0
Inspections	0	0	53	0

Equipment:

In quantity and value,
approximately the same
as at the end of 1958

Cost of Department

Salary	\$ 1760.94
Other Expenses	321.64
Total	\$ 2082.58

Receipts of Department

Sealing Fees	\$ 240.40
Licenses	10.00
Plates	<u>1.50</u>
	\$ 251.90

Respectfully submitted,

Oscar D. Knight

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Sealer

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

To the Honorable Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Department of Veterans' Benefits and Services herewith submits its annual report covering the calendar year 1959. Massachusetts laws make it mandatory that financial aid be furnished to needy veterans and their dependents who qualify for such aid and that there be made available to all veterans and their kin such advice and assistance as may be necessary to enable them to procure the benefits to which they may be entitled relative to employment, vocational or other opportunities, hospitalization, medical care, pensions, compensation, insurance and veterans' benefits; have on hand current booklets and other printed matter pertaining to the statutory rights of war veterans provided by Federal and State laws. Close liaison must be maintained with the U.S. Veterans Administration, the Departments of the Army, Navy and Air, the Selective Service Boards, the Departments of Labor, other Federal agencies with which veterans and service men come in contact and the various departments of our State government. Close liaison is also maintained with the United Spanish War Veterans, World War 1 Veterans U.S.A., Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and other organizations of veterans, The American Gold Star Mothers and like organizations and with all groups having an active interest in the welfare of veterans. This report deals with the services provided and the financial aid disbursed to needy veterans and their dependents.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Photostatic copies made.....	625
Documents Notarized	30
Permanent Recordings - Military.....	69
Korean 1	
Peace-time 68	
Contacts made to furnish information and assistance relative to claims of veterans, their sur- vivors and dependents and processing ap- plications for all types of benefits.....	500
Visits to hospitals, homes and other places.....	300
Letters, history entries and records.....	900
Veterans Administration forms completed.....	100
Veterans Administration claims handled as agent for claimants.....	40
Liens taken and satisfied.....	2
Employment found.....	20

2,586

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

VETERANS' BENEFITS AND BURIAL AID

A record relative to aid to eligible veterans and their dependents follows:

Cases held over from 1958	31
New Applications and Re-Applications.....	17
Hospital Cases.....	15
Terminated by death.....	2
Transfer of settlement.....	1
Applications and Re-Applications -- Need not shown.....	8
Temporarily aided and suspended.....	8
Cases carried over to 1960.....	30

<u>Compare expenses on the following:</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1958</u>
Nursing Homes	\$3,385.75	\$2,464.35
Doctor	3,566.00	1,080.00
Medication	1,799.18	1,377.40
Miscellaneous	863.55	400.00

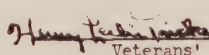
A Real Estate lien law became effective as of October 22nd, 1958 whereby an applicant of Veterans' Benefits who is a dependent mother or father of a veteran and who has an interest in real estate, of which the fair market value is more than \$1500. - shall be eligible under Chapter 115 of the General Laws, provided a lien signed and acknowledged by the Veterans' agent is taken and recorded against said property. The taking of such liens is in conformity with Chapter 487 of the Acts of 1958 which amends Chapter 115 of the General Laws by inserting a new section after Section 5. A new section entitled 5 "A" provides for the placing of a lien on real property owned by a dependent mother or father of a veteran, applying for or receiving benefits based on war service of such dependent's son or daughter. It is a condition precedent to the granting of said benefits.

Complete files of Melrose veterans of all wars are maintained in this office and an active file is kept up to date with information received from families of those still in the Armed Forces and from news clippings from the local press.

On Veterans' Burials, the Government allowance toward veterans' burial expenses has been increased to \$250. The State allows \$250. for a dependent of a veteran and \$150. for a veteran, reimbursement made to the City of 50% on settled cases and 100% on State settled cases.

Reimbursement by the State for Veterans Benefits and Burials is usually 12 months in arrears.

This report represents only the tangible work of the Department of Veterans' Benefits and Services, the services that can be definitely counted. The "intangibles" are the numerous queries answered in person or by telephone; advice given veterans on questions of loans, on-the-job training, educational benefits, insurance, and benefits open to veterans of World War II and the Korean emergency; rehabilitation within families and rebuilding of morale.


 Henry Leslie Trickey
 Agent and Director
 Veterans' Benefits and Services

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

To His Honor, the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the following report of the Department of Veterans' Benefits and Services for year ending December 31, 1959:

General Administration Salaries and Wages

Appropriation		
Budget	\$10,608.90	
Order #12936-A	429.48	
Expenditures		
Agent		4,650.10
Clerks		6,336.32
Balance		<u>51.96</u>
	11,038.38	11,038.38

General Administration Other Expenses

Appropriation		
Budget	1,250.00	
Expenditures		
Bills paid		1,214.77
Balance		<u>35.23</u>
	1,250.00	1,250.00

Veterans' Benefits (One-half of State Approvals to be refunded to City of Melrose)

Appropriation		
Budget	30,000.00	
Order #13094 - Additional	5,000.00	
Expenditure		
Cash (Treasurer's Payroll)		34,805.91
Balance		<u>194.09</u>
	35,000.00	35,000.00

Veterans' Burials (One-half of State Approvals to be refunded to City of Melrose)

Appropriation		
Budget	300.00	
Expenditures		
Bills Paid		88.00
Balance		<u>212.00</u>
	300.00	300.00

H. Leslie Trickey
H. Leslie Trickey, Agent and Director
Veterans' Benefits and Services

REPORT OF THE WIRE DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, the Mayor
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Wire Department for the year 1959.

During the year a total of two thousand one hundred and sixteen wire permits were issued by the department with the following breakdown.

Fourteen hundred and sixty-three permits were issued for inspection of new work. On new houses this included a rough inspection, service inspection and a final inspection.

One hundred and eighty two permits were issued for oil burner and gas heater installations. This included oil burner replacements as well as new ones.

Four hundred and seventy one permits were also issued to the Suburban Electric Company to allow current to be turned on in cases of new house construction, increase of services and breakdown of services.

On the Fire Alarm System all fire boxes, of which there are one hundred and sixty seven, including street boxes, school boxes and boxes on or in business establishments, were tested every sixty days for a total of one thousand and two tests with an additional one hundred and ten tests for special reasons such as being pulled for fire or false.

With the installation of four new non-interfering, succession fire boxes we have eliminated four more non-interfering, non-succession boxes.

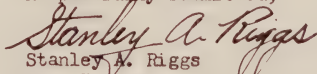
New work done that benefits Both Fire and Police Systems was as follows.

Three and one half miles of weatherproof wire was installed on existing cross arms.

Six hundred and sixty feet of underground cable was installed. One hundred and forty cross arms were renewed due to new pole locations and pole replacements by the Suburban Light Co. and the New England Telephone Co. Also cross arms and wire drops to fire and police boxes were renewed due to age.

In addition to the new work done the normal maintenance to the systems, such as replacement of police red lights, batteries renewed in police boxes, traffic flood lights renewed, etc., was continued through the year.

Respectfully submitted,


Stanley A. Riggs
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT

To His Honor, The Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Workmen's Compensation Agent submits herewith,
his annual report.

During 1959, the State Legislature once again increased the benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act. However, there were only two increases which are of direct concern to us. The maximum weekly benefit was increased from \$40.00 to \$45.00 and the payments to dependents went from \$4.00 per week to \$6.00 per week. Since these changes did not become effective until December the full effect will not be felt until 1960.

This year we had no extremely expensive cases such as the two back injury cases which were handled in 1958. However, the minor dynamite explosion could very easily have been an extremely costly accident. We were indeed fortunate and thankful that the men involved were no more seriously injured.

A summary of this years cases follows:

6 cases	No expense
27 cases	Medical payments only
9 cases	Compensation and medical payments
42 cases	Total

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. Woodman
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Workmen's Compensation
Agent

